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New chief calls for working together



Inspector Dez Lambert

THE NEW police chief for Halesowen and Stourbridge has pledged to work closer with the public in the battle

against crime.

Inspector Dez Lambert has moved from a role where he was spearheading force changes in Birmingham to changes in Birmingham to replacing Insp Mick Palmer and taking charge of the policing sector covering the two towns.

The officer, who is 35 and has lived in Halesowen all his life, said he wanted to engage with the towns' com-munities.

He said: "Halesowen is great area with a community

He said: "Halesowen is a great area with a community which already works well with the police, but I think there is still room for improvement.
"The better we work with the public the greater support we will get tackling crime, and that is good for everyone – except the criminals.

"I want people to tell us their policing issues."

Clothes set off big hunt

DISCARDED clothing on a canal towpath near Stour-bridge sparked a major search operation by police.

Walkers found the items along a section of the Stour-bridge Canal at around 5.45pm on Saturday and immediately alerted police.

The path, off Wollaston Road, Amblecote, was sealed Road, Amblecote, was sealed off by officers and tents set up as a search was carried out using the police helicopter and dogs. Police said it seems the clothes were dumped.

PLANS SENT IN FOR £3m FIRE STATION

by Naomi Dunning

PLANS to demolish council buildings in Cradley Heath to make way for a new £3 million fire station have been submitted. This is the first phase in the project which will see the new fire hub replace the former Municipal Buildings.

Members of West Midlands Fire Authority picked the site near Haden Hill Leisure

charity race

THE ANNUAL Race for Life charity event at Himley Hall near Dudley has become the lastest victim of the wettest summer on

"The health and safety of our participants has to come first so we hope everyone understands why this difficult decision had to be

Longbridge, Birmingham last week.
Annual three-day music festival in Staffordshire, Burntwood Wakes, has also been cancelled.

It was due to take place from July 20.

record.

Members of West Midlands Fire Authority picked the site near Haden Hill Leisure Centre from four proposed locations. Bosses at Sandwell Council have applied to planning chiefs to demolish the two storey building, in Barrs Road, which also has a basement. The demolition is expected to be completed by the end of the month. The former Municipal Buildings are to be demolished by Sandwell Leisure Trust to extend the car park for people using the leisure centre. The rest of the site will be transformed into the new result have washes out

the leisure centre. The rest of the site will be transformed into the new multi-bay station.

The station replaces the Halesowen and Cradley Heath fire stations and the cost is set to be offset by the generation of the estimated £1.5m from the sale of the two sites.

Halesowen Fire Station, Hagley Road, was closed in May, and the firefighters based there have been redeployed to other stations in the area until the fire hub is built.

Inherit

record.

Cancer Research UK said the ongoing heavy rain has caused the route to become waterlogged prompting health safety fears.

The event, due to take place this Sunday, has now been moved to September 23.

Event manager Tracey Diffy said: "We are very sorry for any disappointment and inconvenience caused by the postponement.

"The beath and soft-to-four participants." Chairman of the Fire Authority and Sandwell Councillor John Edwards said: "This application has been made by Sandwell Leisure Trust, not by the Fire

Authority.
"The plan is we will then inherit a clear site, and once we have gained the plan-ning permission we can then start build-Mr Edwards said he hoped the plan

stands why this difficult decision had to be made.

"We have acted as quickly as we can to reorganise the dates to enable as many people as possible to join in. Dudley Race for Life will now take place at the same times on September 23.

"All participants will be contacted by Cancer Research UK.

"All those joining us on the new dates need not do anything, as their pack and running number will still be valid."

It is the second Race for Life event in the Midlands to be cancelled, following on from Longbridge, Birmingham last week.

Mr Edwards said he hoped the planning application for the fire station will be submitted to Sandwell Council by the end of the summer, and if it is approved that work will start in the autumn.

He added: "We are really looking forward to the prospect of our state of the art multi bay fire station.

"We are also looking forward to working with our partners in Sandwell Leisure Trust, on a plan which will prove to benefit both organisations and the Trust's customers."

Cradley Heath Fire Station in Mace Street, is still in operation.

Flipping roof ride for man



The man is hurled out of the car's sunroof after the car crashed into a garder



Miraculously the man gets up, brushes himself down and walks away

This is the gramatic moment a car hurtled into a front garden in Dudley, throwing a man from the sunroof which was captured on CCTV. This is the dramatic moment a car hurtled

on CCTV.

The Peugeot 406 mounted the pavement, smashing through a brick wall and overturning outside Joyce Hampton's house.
Residents in Brook Street, Woodsetton, rushed outside after hearing the crash and were stunned to find the man had walked away unhurt.

Miss Hampton's brother Howard, aged 74, who lives next door with his wife Margaret, 70, had recently installed the cameras

after becoming concerned about speeding motorists. The retired couple were watching TV when they heard a loud bang – and they were shocked when they later watched the drama on the recording. The man can be seen being cat

seen being cataputted through the sunroot. He then quickly stands up and pulls down his T-shirt before walking towards the car. Piles of debris settle around the vehicle, which was badly damaged. Miss Hampton, 60, a delivery driver, said she was woken up by the noise. Gates in her front garden were wrecked in the impact of the crash, which happened at about 10.30pm on Sunday.

Marking metal to

HEATING boilers and copper water tanks at thousands of council homes in Dudley will be security marked as part of a crackdown on metal theft.

Forensic marking fluid kits will be used to deter

kits will be used to deter raiders from targeting the properties.

The fluid leaves a unique mark that is registered to Dudley Council on a national database and can be accessed by the police.

It means if any of the property is stolen, it can be quickly identified making it easier for the culprits to be

easier for the culprits to be

easier for the culprits to be caught.

Power tools and plant equipment used by council work teams are also being marked.

marked.

The kits have been bought by the council's housing services division and cost £1,200.

Councillor Khurshid Ahmed, said: "We do not tolerate size in Public box

ratine in Dudley bor-ough and introducing this technology sends a clear message to potential crimi-nals that we will identify

them.
Det Sgt Mark Ruston from
Brierley Hill Police, said:
"West Midlands Police are
committed to working
together to reduce crime and
we are using special torches
to scan all property during
searches of suspect's homes
and scrap yards."

300 sign up for scheme

MORE than 300 customers at Brierley Hill metal recycler Mason Metals Ltd have joined its voluntary membership scheme which aims to help deter crime.

Masons in Two Woods Lane launched it in January

Lane launched it in January in response to police concerns over the growing scale of metal theft in the region.

The scheme asks customers for their details in return for a member's card which allows them to their business transaction to be processed more quickly. processed more quickly.

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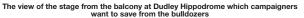
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Inside look at the task to rescue Hippodrome







Campaigners Malcolm Palmer, on left, and Geoff Fitzpatrick take a look around the abandoned venue

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IT WAS an emotional moment for the group hoping to save Dudley's Hippodrome as they met with a musty smell in the air, the garish purple paintwork peeling from the ceiling, and an empty wine bottle lying on the floor, ike a leftover from a hastily aban-

doned party.
"It's better than I expected," says Geoff Fitz-patrick. There's a lot of work to be done, but it's all pretty sound."

all pretty sound."
For the Friends of Dudley Hippodrome, this is a big moment. For the first time since it closed in 2009, a small party of volunteers were allowed access to the building which holds so many memories. Almost every one of them has a tale to tell. "I used to be a regular here in the 1940s and 50s," says 76-year-old Malcolm Palmer from Stourbridge.
"It was here they filmed the first pantomime shown on television, I went down to my aunt's in Tipton to watch. You could see the boxes in the balcony and everything."

palcony and everything.". But unless the Friends of the Hippodrome defy the odds and save the theatre from the bulldoz-ers, those memories will soon be all that is left.

In its heyday, the Hippodrome was one of the country's leading provincial theatres, drawing in the biggest names in showbusiness. Bob Hope, and Hardy, and Tommy Cooper had all ed the hill

topped the bill.
"It was the biggest theatre in the West Midlands," says Stourbridge historian Paul Collins.
"It had a 1,752-seater auditorium, much bigger than the Grand in Wolverhampton. Even today there isn't another theatre of this size this side of Birmingham.'

Demolish

Latterly used as a bingo hall, the Hippodrome finally closed two-and-a-half years ago. It was bought by Dudley Council, and has been under the threat of demolition ever since. The council has earmarked the site for unspecified redevelopment, and word is that within three months there will be an application to demolish the build-

ing.
But Mr Collins, a former councillor, says that would not necessarily sound the death knell for the theatre.

"The application would be to demolish it within three years," he says. "They wouldn't demolish it straight away as that would cost a lot." The theatre is in clear need of refurbish-

as well as less-than-sympathetic alterations, it has also suffered from vandalism it is in surprisingly good condition. Period fea-tures, such as art deco plasterwork have sur-vived, even if they have been painted in a lurid

vived, even if they have been painted in a lurid shade of purple. "I'm quite encouraged by what I've seen," says Mr Collins. The campaign certainly has public support. More than 3,500 people have signed petitions to save the theatre, incuding comedian Ken Dodd, a regular performer at the venue in the 1950s.

But while there is a clear desire among people

But while there is a clear desire among people in the Black Country save the theatre, it is hard cash that will really determine its future.

"We have pledged to draw up a business plan by the end of August," says Paul Collins. And how much money will they need?

"It would just be a guess at the moment, but I think you would be talking a couple of million."

Friends' chairman Geoff Fitzpatrick believes the money could be secured from the National Lottery. Steve Briscoe suggests a sponsor-a-brick scheme. Mr Collins is convinced the theatre can be saved. "There is so much public support, it is the only inter-war variety theatre left in the country. If we don't succeed, it won't be for the want of trying," he said.

Woman is jailed

trafficked prostitutes in Northern Ireland has been

Northern Freiant has been jailed for seven years.

Rong Chen, aged 35, conned women into entering the country believing they would find work as child minders.

But instead the illegal imprimentational of the seven in the seven would be seven.

minders. But instead the illegal immigrants worked as prostitutes or housekeepers while isolated in squalid flats and were threatened with violence or deportation if they tried to escape.

Chen, of Whinchat Grove, Kidderminster, admitted two charges of controlling prostitution for gain, trafficking in the UK for sexual exploitation and entering an arrangement to acquire criminal property. She was sentenced at Belfast Crown Court along with her husband Jason Hinton and former policeman Simon Dempsey from Northern Ireland.

Ireland.

Hinton pleaded guilty to aiding and abetting the control of prostitution. He was given an order for 220 hours unpaid work. Dempsey, 42, from Ringbuoy Cove, Cloughey, near Newtownards,was jailed for nine months. The court was told Chen had made £280,000.

New chief is appointed

A NEW police chief has beer

A NEW ponce cher has been appointed with responsibility for Dudley borough.

Chief Superintendent Stuart Johnson replaces Dudley commander Keith Baldwin who retired after completing 30 years service with the force.

force.

Mr Johnson will be responsible for the borough's policing across Dudley North and South, Halesowen and Stourbridge.

He has served in the force for 25 persons that it has been served in the force for 25 persons that in his force for 25 persons that in his

He has served in the force for 25 years starting his career in Wolverhampton.
Ch Supt Johnson said: "I am delighted to be taking up this position and look forward to continuing to work with our local communities so we can make Dudley an even safer place to live."

Coffee morning

HAGLEY Mothers' Union will be holding its annual coffee morning next month.

A bring and buy sale will be after the 10am service at the village's St Saviour's Church on August 16.





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Broken Dentures?

Father in van chase locked up

been jailed for 21 months after a court heard he hit three cars during a police chase in Dudley.

Simon Loveland, who was Simon Loveland, who was driving a stolen Ford Transit, hit the cars during the pursuit, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told. Loveland also reversed towards a police motorcycle during the five-mile chase in Dudley, forcing the officer to take evasive action

Loveland, a father-of-two of Broom Road, Dudley, went through red lights, ignored give-way signs.

went through red lights, ignored give-way signs, mounted grass verges and drove on the wrong side of the road, said Mr Howard Searle, prosecuting.

Mr Searle said Loveland finally smashed the van at the Wrens Nest Nature Reserve, Dudley.

Loveland was banned from driving for three years after admitting aggravated vehicle taking and driving without insurance.

without insurance.

He was jailed for 18 months for the offences and for a further three months for breaching a suspended prison sentence for burglary.

prison sentence for burglary.
Mr David Bratt, defending, said: "He knows he went off the rails and he has let his partner, his children and his family down badly."

Pubs stage a ciderfest

THREE pubs in neighbouring Midlands towns will hold a cider festival

a cider festival.

The event will take place at Ye Olde Crown Inn, Bridge Street, Stourport, The Penny Black, Bull Ring, Kidderminster, and George Hotel, Load Street, Bewdley.

The pubs will offer up to 16 draught and bottled ciders from England and Wales.

The festival will was weet?

The festival will run until

July 29.

Robert Deeming, who is the manager of Ye Olde Crown Inn, said: "I am certain that people will enjoy our fantastic selection."

Help is wanted

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help to pick up rubbish from Hartlebury Common near Kidderminster.

near Kidderminster.

They will also assist wardens in prunning overgrown shrubs and clearing footpaths. Worcestershire County Council's Countryside Service needs volunteers on July 21. Call Martin Barnett on 01905 766493.

Remarkable woman Hilda dies, aged 104



Hilda Turner

remarkable able" woman has died at of 104 after living a

Hilda Turner did not drink or smoke and never had to go to hospital once – even when she gave birth to her children, her family

said.
Mrs Turner lived at New
Bradley Hall care home in

Her daughter Roberta Schipper escribed her mother as an

TRIBUTES have been paid to a extremely caring person who always held her family close at heart. Born Hilda Barnett in Wall Heath in 1907, she was the daughter of a grocer who had a shop in Canton House, in High Street.

Leaving

She attended the village school before leaving at the age of 14 to help her father Benjamin at the

At the age of 17 she began court-

married at Wall Heath Congregational Church.

They then moved to Grove Park
where the couple started a family
and Mrs Turner gave birth to her
daughters Roberta and Jane.

In the village she played an
active role in community life,
running the church sunday school
and singing in the choir. and singing in the choir.

She remained at her house after her husband died in 1964, only leaving for the care home aged 95. Daughter Mrs Schipper said her

mother lived a healthy life right up until she died.
She said: "My mother never drank or smoke and she ate very well."

Grandchildren

Mrs Turner also leaves behind five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Mrs Turner died on June 24 and her funeral service took place at Wall Heath

in brief

Choir's concert raises the notes

A CHOIR'S concert in Kidthan £2,000 for two chari-

ties.
More than 500 people gathered for the Got 2 Sing Show Choir's Summer Extravaganza concert, held recently at the Glades

held recently at the Glades Arena.

The event, hosted by Lord Digby Jones, raised the cash for the Kemp Hospice and Stroke Associ-

ation.
Fundraiser at Kemp Hospice, Ele Millward, said: "We were so touched by everyone's kindness."

Olympic dreams display at church

GOLD medal dreams will be featured in the annual flower festival at a Kingswinford church. The Olympic Dream will be the theme of the dis-plays at St Mary's Church where sports such as

where sports such as cycling and swimming will

cycling and swimming will be interpreted. Several hundred pounds of sponsorship has been donated to cover the cost of the flowers and the musi-cians who will be perform-ing at the festival, which runs from July 13 to 16 with the help of volunteer staff

Morrisons plans earlier deliveries

BOSSES at Morrisons in Kingswinford have sub-mitted new plans to extend delivery hours its store despite previous unsuccessful bids.

Morrisons in Stallings Lane, has long sought per-mission for goods to be delivered earlier each day.

No deliveries are per-

No deliveries are per-mitted before 8am or after 8pm Monday to Saturday.
The store is now asking for the rules to be varied.

Tennis club is to hold an open day

A TENNIS club in Stour-bridge will host an open day on July 14.

The event at Wollaston Tennis Club in Prestwood

Drive runs from 2 pm until

It will include coaching It will include coaching demonstrations and ses-sions for adults and chil-dren from qualified instructors.

There will also be fun

children's activities, as well as a barbecue and bar

Centre donation

KIDDERMINSTER'S Swan Centre has donated £100 towards the town's Kemp Hospice in Mason

Fored

Family outraged as judge decides not to jail car killer

down and killed on a country road have called a judge's decision not to jail the drink-driver responsible "an absolute disgrace".

responsible "an absolute disgrace".

Mother-of-two Brenda Wilson, aged 62, died in hospital
an hour after being hit by Francine Austin's Audi convertible. Mrs Wilson was walking a dog with her friend along the
A458 Bridgnorth Road in Stourton near Stourbridge.
Austin, was ordered to be detained under the Mental Health

The limit is 35.

Crown Court.

The Judge said Austin, who has suffered from depression, faced up to three years in prison – but two psychiatric reports recommended she remain in a psychiatric hospital.

Austin, 54, of Heathton, Claverley, will be detained until she is deemed well enough to be released.

Doctors

Mrs Wilson's son Edward Davies said after the case:
"This is an absolute disgrace. I think she should serve the full prison sentence after the doctors let her out but she'll probably only do a year in the hospital." Laura Davies said her mother was "an inspirational and amazing person" and added: "We are in so much pain."

The court heard scientists estimated Austin had about 54 micrograms of alcohol per 100 millilitres of breath, when the crash happened at about 10.30am on August 4.

£5,000 laptops stolen



A SPORTS club which has been home to budding ath-letes and Olympic hopefuls for almost 90 years has been honoured by the Queen for its outstanding work

Queen's

outstanding work.

Halesowen Athletics and
Cycling Club celebrated
earning the Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service at a
ceremony attended by dignitaries. The club at the
Manor Abbey Sports
Ground has more than 800
members and is now in its
86th year.

Among them is too cycling Austin told police she had drunk four glasses of wine the night before and went to bed at 10pm.

Among them is top cycling star Jess Varnish who has just been selected for Team GB for London 2012.
Club patron and former world champion cyclist, Hugh Porter MBE, who lives in Tottonall Wolwards are some control of the star of the st

Tettenhall.Wolverhamp ton, was compere at the well-attended ceremony.

attended ceremony.

Mr Porter, aged 72, said he
had special memories of
competing at the track in
1964 with performances
that helped him gain selection for the Tokyo Olympics
that were that year.

"It is an honour that the club is definitely worthy of as it flies the flag for sport in the area," said the cyclist-turned-BBC commentator.

Deputy Lord Lieutenants Peter Tomlinson and Major Sylvia Parkin MBE were on and to present the award to delighted club chairman Bob lowkes and president Bob



Halesowen Cycling and Athletic Club which has won the Queens Award. Out on the track with sporting youngsters is Hugh Porter a patron of the club holding the award

More than 20 laptops, worth around £5,000 have been stolen from a school near Stourbridge. They were taken from a secure metal container which was inside a temporary classroom at Haybridge High School in Hagley. Burglars struck just days after around £17,000 of computer equipment was stolen from Hagley RC School. Police believe other areas of Haybridge High were also targeted during the same period but the thieves were unsuccessfull. HOMECLAD GUTTERING SOFFITS CLADDING • TILE EDGING **BEST VALUE IN** THE MIDLANDS **PREMIUM** PRODUCTS EXPERTLY FITTED BY A LOCAL FAMILY SPECIAL OFFER FREE guttering and downpipes 0800 73 13 946 CALL FOR A NO OBLIGATION QUOTE 16 MONUMENT AVENUE STOURBRIDGE DY9 8XS







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OF PETER RHODES

A READER writes: "I spend an hour every morning playing fruit machines. Does this count towards my five a day?"

towards my five a day?"

GIGHT STATE want to know how to move, how to use their hands, how to deliver the perfect comedy line will study the matchless technique of Eric Sykes and be amazed that he did it so well even when he was stone-deaf and almost blind. What a star.

A SHARP-eyed correspondent notes that the Spiderman costume in the latest movie makes going to the toilet impossible and "could it be something to do

Thankfully, as far as I can recall in any comic or movie, no Superhero has ever gone to the loo. Frankly, if your hands emitted spider webs, bolts of lightning or great balls of fire, would you want to?

I AM a great admirer of TV commercials and the professionals behind these clever 30-second messages.

However, in the interests of accuracy, it has to summer squall with rain lashing at the windows summer squall with rain lashing at the windows and the kids snarling at each other as your two precious holiday weeks turn into a wretched, wringing, bloody nightmare, a bowl of Rice Crispies will not put everything right.

OUR changing language. A reader has lived for years close to a car breaker's yard. It has suddenly rebranded itself as an "end of life treatment facilities for cars and commercial vehicles."

Don't miss Peter Rhodes every Monday to Friday in your Express & Star

Neighbours of stadium complaining over noise

lives are being made a misery by noise from regular athletics meetings. They have complained about the firing of starting pistols and event commentaries.

They claim the noise is from The Dell, Bryce Road, Pensnett, and the families say it is increasing in volume and disturbing them at week-

ends. Neighbours in Bryce Road, have pleaded with councillors to clamp down on users of the stadium, which has a 400 metre athletics track, field facilities and a full-size

field facilities and a full-size football pitch.
Chris Bennett, aged 44, said: "The noise from the stadium meetings is getting louder and louder.
"It's not just the ongoing commentary you hear for hours on end, it is also the firing of pistols which can sound like fireworks.
"The disturbance has left many people round here

"The disturbance has left many people round here crawling up the walls in frus-tration. We can't sit in our house at the weekends and relax with the windows

open."
Mr Bennett, who is a water surface layer, said: "Something needs to be done. We support the stadium, but we want the users to be good neighbours."

Following concerns raised, Dudley councillors Judy Foster and John Martin have paid a visit to neighbours of

the stadium. They have now both instructed environmen-tal officers to ask users of the stadium to keep the noise

down.
Councillor Martin said:
"The noise of the pistols is especially loud, I nearly jumped out of my skin when I heard it.

"I don't think it is unrea-"I don't think it is unreasonable for people to ask users of The Dell Stadium to be mindful of the noise."

Councillor Foster said: "What most concerned me

was how some of the events were going on past 9pm. **Proud**

"We don't want people to stop using the stadium, we are proud of having the facil-ity in our borough. But we do ask users to take care and remember people are living

nearby."
Councillor Tracy Wood, said she was aware of the issues raised by residents.
She said: "We have been made aware of issues with noise during large sporting events at the Dell Stadium.
"We will be investigating the complexity and specking."

the complaints and speaking to our staff and the appropri-ate clubs in order to resolve the problem."

Mayor joins historic gallery



Councillor Melvyn Mottram, Mayor of Dudley, looks at the mayoral pictures

THE MAYOR of Dudley has joined the ranks of his distinguished predecessors in the borough's council house

The portrait of Councillor Melvyn Mottram now hangs next to 86 former

mayors dating back to the 1800s.
Councillor Mottram said: "I am so proud

no obligation quote on:

to be mayor of the borough and to be added to some of the distinguished faces here at the council house is a real privilege.

It is a new chapter in the civic history of this borough and I am determined to work make the people here proud.

Vehicle firm is looking

the next 12 months due to

expansion plans.

Bevan Group, Amber Way, Halesowen, is hunting for experienced mobile service technicians to boost its exist ing aftercare and on-site repairs division.

repairs division.

The firm supplies box, curtainside and platform bodies for vehicles to some of the biggest names on Britain's roads. It also maintain's roads. It also maintain's roads are to mobile tains its own team of mobile technicians who provide nationwide cover on a 24-hour call-out basis.

nour call-out basis.

The business has 20 engineers on the road but said demand had increased to such an extent more people were now needed.

were now needed.

Aftercare manager for the firm Roy Shelton said:
"We're keen to recruit a significant number of seasoned, hard-working and self-sufficient professionals." Bevan's service vans carry the equipment needed to work on vehicles.

Comet to close

MORE than a dozen jobs are at risk after Comet announced it is closing its store at the Merry Hill Shop-ping Centre.

ping Centre.

The firm claims it had wanted to stay at the site, but following notice given from Westfield Shopping Towns, it will leave the centre in September 30.





New safety measures for schools

NEW warning signs are among safety measures being brought in outside three Halesowen schools. Anti-skid surfaces and

zig-zag lines will be intro-duced following long-running concerns raised by

running concerns raised by councillors and residents.

The measures represent the latest stage of the safer routes to school scheme being rolled out across Dudley borough.

The plans were discussed.

The plans were discussed The plans were discussed by members of Halesowen Area Committee at a meeting last week before a final decision is taken by the transport boss Councillor Judy Foster.

A new road surface and warning markings would be warning markings would be

warning markings would be installed in Narrow Lane near Hurst Green Primary School as part of the scheme.

School as part of the scheme.

Trees and foliage will be cut back around Huntingtree Road.

A new warning sign and extended zig-zag road marking will be installed in the road close to Huntingtree Primary School.

Ward Councillor Karen

Ward Councillor Karen Shakespeare welcomed the move but said she feared parking problems in the road if zig-zag lines were extended.

Wrestling show

HALESOWEN Members
Club is hosting a wrestling
show on Sunday.
The show, which starts at
7.30pm, features wrestlers
"Mad Dog" Maxx, Tiger
Singh, Matt "The Hammer"
Mentzer and The Masked
Lighting Kid. For tickets
call 07885 763966.

Glassworks looking to the future as firms are sold off

A Dudley glassworks is looking forward to major investment and new jobs after being sold to one of its biggest customers. Tudor Crystal and its sister company Plowden and Thompson (P&T), of Stourbridge have been bought by ET Enterprises Ltd (ETEL), Uxbridge

have been bought by ET Enterprises Ltd (ETEL), Uxbridge.

The deal safeguards the future of the 17 workers at the 18th century Dial Glass Works, alongside the canal in Stewkins, Audnam, and paves the way for investment in new machinery which, in turn, will bring new jobs.

ETEL, part of Texas company Ludlum Measurements, relies upon P&T to supply highly specialised glass for photomultiplier tubes, which have applications in the nuclear, health and film sectors and are used by scientists to measure sub-atomic neutrino particles in the arrth. The new owners of the companies at the Dial Glass Works, built in 1778, want to further develop the manufacture of hi-tech glass, as well as continuing to produce traditional stemware, giftware, decorative lead crystal and coloured glass.

The sale, for an undisclosed sum, follows the decision by long-standing directors Richard and Barbara Beadman, who are preparing to retire in about a year's time.

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It's an expensive industry and our gas bill

It's an expensive industry and our gas bill alone averages £10,000 a month. The additional investment will initially bring a handful of jobs but, eventually, there could be more and who knows how man,"

Mrs Beadman revealed the couple rejected a bid from a Chinese company and decided to agree to the sale to ETEL because it was committed to retaining the workforce. The Beadmans will remain at the company as consultants for up to a year as the new owners settle in.

"We're very sad that we will be leaving soon but are glad that we have found new owners who are large enough and interested

"The council has undertaken an inspection of the site further to ongoing discussions taking place with the college regarding a formal approach and offer to acquire the site being lodged, all subject to the appropriate council approvals being secured.

"The college would then consider any council offer made and compare it with other options available to them." owners who are large enough and interested enough in what we do to protect the busi-ness and build on it," said Mrs Beadman.



Directors of Tudor Crystal/Plowden & Thompson Limited, Barbara and Richard Beadman who have sold the firms to an American group

in brief

Summer strolls in hall's grounds

WALKERS can take summer strolls around his-toric Himley Hall and Park in the Dudley borough. Dudley Council has organised the free walks

organised the free walks around the picturesque landscape on July 22 and August 5, from 11am.

Visitors can tour the woodland and see features of the park created by one of England's greatest land-scapers, Lancelot 'Capability' Brown in the late 18th century.

Joining the walk is freebut places are limited so it's best to book.

For more information call 01384 817817.

Pair prove they are a cut above

TWO hairdressing students at Halesowen college made the final of a national competition.

national competition.

Matt Round and
Phillipa Thomas were
finalists in all three cate
gories in the annua
student barber competiand

Matt, aged 18, is a former pupil of Pedmore Technology College and lives in Lye, while Phillipa, 35, lives in Stafford.

Students ready to get Footloose

HALESOWEN College students are to present their rendition of musical Footloose. It will run from July 16 to 18. Footloose is based around big city boy Ren moving to a quiet town where dancing is banned. Tickets are £3. Call 0121 602 7777.

Stourbridge College has announced it will be leaving its base at Leasowes Park, Hale-sowen where it runs courses for horticulture and catering students with learning difficul-

and catering students with earlining dimicuties and disabilities.

Council officers have inspected the site with a view to making a bid to buy it.

A report to the council from John Millar, Director of the Urban Environment, says: "A meeting was arranged between the college and council officers to commence discussions were wing the future of the cities.

regarding the future of the site.

"The council has undertaken an inspec-

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Rubbish tip fears over canal from estate plans

A PROPOSED canalside housing estate next to a £5 million glass museum has been criticised by waterways bosses who claim the development could lead to the

canal becoming a "rubbish tip".
Forty-nine homes would be constructed on the historic former Stuart Crystal glassworks site in Wordsley under the plans.
Vacant land off Argyle Close would be developed for the estate, while the museum would be built in the Grade II-listed former feeten mail:

factory units.

The Inland Waterways Association has

The Inland Waterways Association has spoken out against the plans, which were lodged by Morris Homes in May.

The estate would feature 16 detached houses, two semi-detached, seven "mews" properties and 24 apartments. They would overlook the Stourbridge Canal.

Bob Fox, the IWA planning officer for Dudley, submitted an objection to the planning application.

He said the IWA was "pleased to see an initial proposal for the development of this site" but added: "The current proposal of 49 dwellings represents a significant overdwellings represents a significant over-development.

He also raised concerns that tall fences

He also raised concerns that tall fences along the row of houses would "act as a barrier to the canal". He added: "Such fencing has been found to have a detrimental effect on canals as local residents are isolated from the canal. He added, this will do nothing to enhance the canal corridor and may contribute to the canal becoming a linear rubbish tip, to the detriment of the community.

Choir planning concert

THE POPULAR Ex Cathedra choir will be returning to St John's Church in Hagley this Christmas.

this Christmas.

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Healthy helping hand



Zafar Islam with Black Country Be Active Partnership director Simon Hall Action Heart director Russell Tipson and Dean Hill of Dudley Public Health

equipment to patients.

It is adapted to accommodate everyone, including disabled people, amputees, stroke sufferers and people wanting to shed the pounds.

It has been funded by Dudley Public Health and the Black

Action Heart director Russell Tipson and Dean Hill of Dudley Public Health STROKE victims and people Country Be Active Partnership and looking to lose weight in Dudley are reaping the benefits of new specialization reaping the benefits of new specialization reaping the benefits of new specialization. It has been installed at the Action Heart rehabilitation centre at Russells Hall Hospital – one of the first places in the country to offer the equipment to patients. It is adapted to accommodate everyone, including disabled apprevious heart attack sufferer and user of the fantastic facilities at

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A great day but slightly m

IT WAS a great show watching the Olympic Torch's procession across the Black Country on Saturday, June 30. I was there, and there was a party atmosphere and it went extremely well – a fun event for all. Or was it? Having walked down to the Birmingham New Road adjacent to Coseley Jubilee Park well in advance of the anticipated arrival of the torch, I joined the crowds already amassing behind the barriers situated on either side of the dual carriageway. However, as soon as the road was However, as soon as the road was would create a gap in the barrier and move to stand on the central reservation instead. Fine, for able-bodied people, but less so for the elderly lady I saw patiently still sitting in her wheelchair behind the original barrier with her two equally elderly) companions. However an hour, side of the dual carriageway. Eventually, with the help of a kind gentleman from the Lions Club, we

However, as soon as the road was gentleman from the Lions Club, we closed to traffic, people decided they arranged for her to be taken to a spot

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LETTERS to the Editor

Could we not have

I MUST say it was an honour and a chance of a lifetime to

from Pelsall, Walsall.

Why, oh why? Could we not find a local Coseley, school-girl or boy, that has made great difference in the commu-

I am sure many local people would have been thrilled to

parents of Coseley.
MICHAEL ANSTIS

Leave EU and save our NHS services

A SIMPLE way to save NHS services in Wyre Forest and Kidderminster is by leaving the EU now.

Health campaigners who are uniting together to save hospital services and the possible closure or down grading of Kidderminster hospital, with the possible loss of the A&E, or cuts in surgical procedures should ask the government not to pay the EU the £48 million of taxpayers money for one single day.

of taxpayers money for one single day.

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had a local bearer?

see the Olympic Torch carried along the Birmingham New Road through Coseley on Saturday, June 30. However, it was with great disappointment having seen the next edition of my local paper that the bearer came

Tam sure many local people would have been turning to cheer on our local "starlet" through this section on the way to the Black Country Museum.

It is with amazement that we have had a period of five years and the best we can do is Walsall area and not Coseley that must have been a great disappointment to all

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Hotshot women needed to cue up for pool team

including grannies and mothers – are appealing for other women to get in the cue and turn out for the

West Midlands.

Members of the West Midlands Ladies'
County pool team say any woman could join
up - so long as they can hold a cue, they will
teach them the "world rules" and give them

up – so long as they can hold a cue, they will teach them the "world rules" and give them training.

"If they like pool and are reasonable at it, we'll do the rest," said captain Sharon Wood, a 43-year-old grandmother, of School Road, Quarry Bank.

Sharon, whose pool nickname is "Shorty", said: "We need more players so that we can cover for holidays, work commitments and sickness and keep up with all the matches and championships we attend. We can promise any ladies who come to us that they'll have a laugh and enjoy themselves."

The team practise and play home matches at the Midlands Snooker Club, Bilston.

Among the team is Sharon Wright – nicknamed Shaz – who plays for England and who recently beat men, as well as women, competitors, to win a tournament in Leicester, taking a prize of £380.

"Shaz" aged 47, an administrator from Pelsall, who has two children and three grandchildren, said: "I love playing pool and get a buzz out of it particularly when I beat the blokes.

Call Sharon Wood on 01384 565224.

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Home's future uncertain

THE FUTURE of a Stourport nursing home hangs in the balance after administrators were called in.

were called in.

Residents at the 38-bed Lickhill Manor,
also known as The Manor House Nursing
Home, Lower Lickhill Road, Stourport, will
remain there while a buyer is sought for the
huminore.

The home is owned by Gentle Care Services Ltd and currently has 22 residents, 20 of whom are funded by Worcestershire County Council, and 44 staff.



England player Sharon "Shaz" Wright gets down to line up a pot



From left, Jennie "Bubbles" Beechey, Su "Stewjar" Smith, Shirley "Tigger" Steele, Sharon "Shorty" Wood, Sharon "Shaz" Wright, Carrie-Anne "Caz-1" James, Sharon "Smurf" Garland, Jenny "Wildthing" Wilding and Lynda "Monkey" Simpson

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People will fight to save hospital services, claim

All chip shape and...



Spiros Bojouri in the new Ocean Basket restaurant and takeaway

Bojouri said: "It has taken a lot of

hard work to get this far and I am very proud of the result.

"There are exciting plans for this area and we want to be a part of thet."

that."

Mr Bojouri previously set up the Goodies fish and chip shop in Pen-

smett. "This is the last development I will be working on," he said. "We are here in Wordsley now. This is where we want to stay and focus on. It is very exciting to be opening soon."

The chip shop will open from midday until 10.30pm.

Spiros Bojour in the new Ocean
BOSSES have opened a new
£300,000 fish and chip shop in
Dudley which they say more than
£50 people applied for 20 jobs there.
Work to convert the former pub
into the Ocean Basket takeaway and
restaurant in Wordsley has taken
nearly a year.
Bosses said they had to rebuild the
interior of the building, in High
Street, from "the ground up".
A centrepiece of the new colourful
design is a decorative fish tank and
a replica boat's keel in the ceiling.
One side of the site is a dining

One side of the site is a dining area. Restaurant spokesman Spiros

fight to preserve services at Kidderminster Hospital, a health campaigner has told a public meeting.
Former NHS chief Malcolm Cooper said

he didn't believe patients "would allow" the hospital to be downgraded any further because of the "pain" felt when the acci-dent and emergency department was axed

dent and emergency department was axed in 2000.

Mr Cooper was speaking during a meeting to discuss plans to overhaul hospital services in Worcestershire. Clinicians are looking at six "models of care" for the future but two threaten the Kidderminster site with closure or downgrading.

Around 75 people attended the four-hour meeting recently when health bosses

Around 18 people attended the four-hour meeting recently when health bosses outlined the reasons behind the plans, which includes a funding shortfall and a growing demand for services. They also explained the different models

They also explained the different models which at a minimum would see minor injury treatment facilities, outpatient services and some diagnostic services remain in Kidderminster, Redditch and Worcester.

Mr Cooper, who was chairman of the former Kidderminster Health Authority, said: "I was here 12 years ago. Kidderminster suffered pain then. I don't want it do so again. I don't believe the people of Wyre Forest would allow Kidderminster to be downgraded anymore than it has been

MP's call on home losses

DUDLEY North MP Ian Austin has urged the rising number of householders who face repossession to seek free advice from a charity. Figures released by Shelter show the Black Country has one of the highest repossession rates in the country. A total of 1,675 homes were repossessed across the region as a whole in the last year, of which 395 were in Dudley.



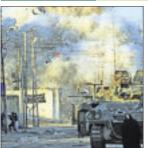






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The famous Staffordshire Knot badge

Famous Army regiment that fought to the end

the Kings Head pub in Lichfield 307 years ago has been broken. The fighting force formed during a meeting on March 25, 1705, linked the army to the people of the Black Country and Staffordshire.

For three centuries, generations served with distinction on the world's battlefields in what became known as the Staffordshire Regiment.

The courage of those soldiers is remembered in memorials such as the frieze at Walsall Town Hall

memorials such as the trieze at Walsall Town Hall commemorating the breaking of the Hindenburg Line on September 30 1918, a vital step towards the ending of the First World War.

The Staffords were the only British battalion to be awarded two Victoria Crosses in the same engagement during the Second World War and the bravery of its troops continued through the Northern Ireland conflict to the Iraq War where they helped free 127 prisoners and destroy the



hated Jamiat police base in Basra on Christmas

hated Jamiat police base in Basra on Christmas Day 2006.

The two VCs won by the Staffords in the Second World War were won at Arnhem in September 1944 by Lance Sgt John Baskeyfield and Major Robert Cain, whose daughter is married to TV host Jeremy Clarkson. Both were serving with the South Staffords Regiment which merged with the North Staffords to form the Staffords in 1959.

Another Staffords hero was L/Cpl Coltman from Burton on Trent who did not carry a weapon because he was a Quaker but operated as a stretcher bearer and won the VC, the DSM and Bar and the Military Medal and Bar, being awarded the five medals for his bravery in collecting casualties over 17 months during the First

World War. He survived conflict. The name of the Staffordshire Regiment and its famous Stafford-shire Knot cap badge disappeared during the 2007 revamp of the army that created the Mercian Regiment through the merger of the Cheshire and He Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters regiments with the Staffords.

They were then split into three separate battalions on the lines of the previous regiments and the 3rd Battalion The Mercian Regiment (3Mercian).

ions on the lines of the previous regiments and the 3rd Battalion The Mercian Regiment (3Mercian) became the new Staffords. Now 3Mercian is to be axed in another restructuring of the British Army. 3Mercian returned from a tour of duty on the front line in Afghanistan last year during which one of its soldiers was shot dead while on patrol and several others were wounded.

The battalion is among a handful of mechanised infantry units in the British Army with its troops trained to use Warrior vehicles as well as conventional 'light' infantry skills.

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being directed to the Net

A HALESOWEN accountancy firm says businesses unable to get funding from businesses uname to get fulfilling from banks could get the cash injection they need from internet lending services and business "angels". Nicklin LLP says latest figures show

that lending through the internet has now topped £250 million and an increasing number of small and medium-sized businesses are turning to web-based serv-

Services such as Funding Circle, which has lent more than £34 million to businesses since its launch in 2010, enable them to borrow from wealthy individuals at lower interest rates than those offered by the banks.

Harvey Owen, managing partner at Nicklins, said: "Many smaller businesses are still finding it difficult to obtain the funding they need from more traditional avenues such as banks.

"However, many are also unaware that there are plenty of viable alternatives out there, including online business lending services and business angels.

"These latest figures show that more people are starting to realise that a 'no'

people are starting to realise that a 'no' from the bank does not have to mean the

"Of course, what works for one business may not be suitable for another, but it is important that you are aware of the options available."

Cash-strapped firms are **Shortage prompts review**

A SHORTAGE of specialist tal doctors is one of the reasons behind a proposed shake-up hospital services Worcestershire, say health chiefs.

Specialities such as surgical, obstetrics and gynaecology are struggling to recruit enough "middle-grade" doctors to cover rotas across all three of the

county's hospital sites.

Clinicians say the problem will worsen as the demand for services grows in the future and it is one of the

Six potential "models of care" have been put forward – these include two which threaten Kidderminster Hospi-

Each model would, as a minimum, see minor injury treatment facilities, outpatient services and some diagnos-tic services remain in Kidderminster, Redditch and Worcester, although this could be at existing sites or at different

could be at existing sites or at different premises.

At a meeting to discuss the review, Dr Simon Rumley, a GP who has worked in Wyre Forest for 15 years, said the hospitals were struggling to appoint sufficient doctors, which are at the level below consultants, in some specialities.
It's very difficult to get these middle

grade doctors that do a lot of the work. They are skilled and have the experience," he added. The county's ageing population is another reason an over-

haul of services is needed, clinicians

Say.

Chairman of the Wyre Forest Clini-Chairman of the Wyre Forest Clinical Commissioning Group, Simon Gates,said: "We are going to see a lot more people with long-term conditions such as diabetes and heart disease as well as conditions relating to smoking and obesity."

There is a budget of £900 million for hospitals in Worcestershire in 2012/13 but there is a growing gap between the demand for healthcare and the available funding with officials predicting a

definant in ineancate and one available funding with officials predicting a £200m shortfall by 2014/15. What we're having to do is provide more services with the same amount of money," said Dr Rose Johnson. Dr Johnson said the financial cost of the models had not been worked out yet.

charity walk STAFF at a Black Country

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training company aim to raise more than £1,000 for Cancer Research when they take part in a Race for Life event.

event.

Eight women from Black
Country Training Group
(BCTG) Taylors Lane,
Oldbury have signed up for
the event on July 15. They
will walk or run five kilometres around Dudley Council's
Himley Hall and Park.
Mrs Robb said: "We raise
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Hi-tech decoy house is ready to catch burglars

TO A burglar it looks like every other house in the street but inside the front door hi-tech gadgets are lying in wait to catch crooks in the act.

Decoy houses are being set up by police officers in Dudley packed full of surveillance equipment to capture evidence as thieves

break in.

Motion sensors, concealed cameras and unique coded dye will be hidden within the homes and on high-value goods in unspecified locations across the borough as part of the initiative to catch criminals red-handed.

Any movement within the homes will trigger sensors, alerting officers and recording the burglar's actions via the covert high resolution cameras.

Images are beamed directly to handheld computers and 3G mobile phones with police quickly dispatched. Similar decoy houses are already used across the West Midlands.

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Television personality Jon Bentley joined Detective Chief Inspector, Andy Parsons, head of Dudley CID to launch Operation Capture in the borough. Bentley posed as a burglar to show many of the ways people can

burglar to show many of the ways people can be captured.

DCI Parsons said the operation had been launched in anticipation of a rise in burglaries in the summer months. "The technology used in the capture house may sound like something from a spy film, but is in fact technology we use quite often." he said.

Jazz musicians to play

JAZZ musicians Jamie Brownfield and Liam Byrne will perform a concert in the Black Country next month. The trumpeter and saxophonist will be at the Bonded Warehouse, Canal Street, Stour-bridge, on July 13. It will start at 7.30pm. Admission is £7 with concessions of £3.50 for students or under-16s.



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CLUB NEWS

Two new members welcomed

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THE June meeting, opened by chairman Doreen Arm-strong saw 44 members and

strong saw 44 members and two newcomers.
Reports were received from treasurer Beryl Hartley, outings co-ordinator Brenda Ellesmore and Press secretary Iris Harris.
As Federation delegate, Iris also gave a report announcing details of the Federation Annual Lunch at the Wharton Park Golf & Country Club, Bewdley. Fourteen members will be representing the guild.
Three ladies won photo frames in the raffle.

Doreen introduced the

frames in the raffle.

Doreen introduced the speaker, Jean Hadley whose talk was entitled "Addis Ababa Fistula Hospital".

This talk, together with slides and a small film gave members an insight into the treatment of female patients who would otherwise be outcasts in their villages through mainly through sexual maltreatment by male partners.

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Mrs Hadley was praised for her work at the hospital in a country where poverty and famine is rife. A vote of thanks was given by Iris Harris.

During the refreshments

During the refreshments, a home baking sale took place towards guild funds.

place towards guild funds.
The next meeting is at
The Moose Hall, Beeches
Road, on July 25. The
speaker will be Mr C P
Hadwell, talking about
Faberge Eggs.

thechronicle Surprise visitor at PPI jubilee celebration



Tettenhall Round Table chairman with a surprise quest and president Gail Wedge

Tettenhall Round Table chairman with a small MEMBERS dressed in red, white and blue and wore an assortment of tiaras – some of them handmade – as the club celebrated the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Members were surprised to be greeted by Her Majesty – in the form of a life-sized cardboard cut out!

The club also welcomed a special guest for dinner, Tettenhall Round Table chairman Chris Harris.

Chris Harris.

The after Dinner speaker was Eleanor Jordan who talked about her experiences, first as a volunteer and then as a trainer for

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the Combined Cadet Force. Pat Dainty, Programme Action Chair, recently held a Wine into Water' event at her home which raised £450 to support Water Aid.

Marjorie Wedge joined the club's Jubilee celebrations. She celebrated her own a special milestone when she was awarded a certificate recognising her 50 years' service.

Guest talks of 'grave subject'

THERE were 25 members and one visitor greeted by the chairman at the June

the chairman at the June meeting.

The meeting proceeded with the usual reading of the last meeting's minutes, the treasurer's report and information on forthcoming activities. The social secre-

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tary told members there were still a few places avail-able for the visit to High-

grove in August.

Ian Bott was the speaker,

his subject "Grave Subject' came up to expectations being all about carvings,

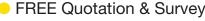
being all about carvings, statues, epitaphs and many other items collected from Black Country churches.

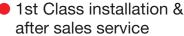
The speaker at the next meeting on July 17 will be Mr Jim Parks, his subject "Interesting Women".

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Town centre rents drop 14pc to help boost trade

RENT prices for shops in Dudley town centre plummeted by more than 14 per cent in the past year the steepest drop in the Black Country - as councils try to entice

businesses in.

But places such as Brierley Hill's Merry
Hill shopping centre still command the
highest shop rents.

More than half of the 33 shopping centres

and high streets surveyed across the West Midlands reported a drop in rents – with some businesses saving as much as 15 per

cent.

The average drop for the region was 3.4 per cent, according to research by an estate

The average drop for the region was 3-4 per cent, according to research by an estate agent.

The news comes just days after it was revealed almost £400 million is being pumped into revitalising high streets across the Black Country and Staffordshire.

With empty shop fronts and boarded-up windows now a common sight on high streets in the region, prices have been driven down as councils draw up multi-million pound plans to attract major brands and bring in more shoppers.

Dudley's 14.3 per cent fall takes rents for the town down to £30 per sq ft.

Stourbridge, which already had prices of £30 per sq ft, maintained the same rental levels as last year.

But rises are expected there next year as a result of empty space at the Ryemarket shopping centre being filled.

Halesowen's rents also stayed steady at £50 per sq ft.

School raises £1,000

THE WORDSLEY School raised £1,050 for Cancer UK at its summer fete, helped by

Cancer UK at its summer fete, helped by teachers doing stints in the stocks. Fifteen staff from the school on Brierley Hill Road, Wordsley, will also taking part in the Race for Life at Himley, also supporting Cancer UK.

Car show washed out



Organiser Davis Hollis surveys the waterlogged grounds of Himley Hall TORRENTIAL rain forced an event ground is too waterlogged. The that was expected to attract hun-British Mini Club will lose thoudreds of Mini fans to the region to be sands in revenue from the event.

cancelled for the second time.

Crowds of enthusiasts were expected at Himley Hall at the weekend for an annual display celebrating the classic car. But organisers of The British Mini Day say the

british Milli Citib Will lose thou-sands in revenue from the event, which would have seen visitors pay a £7 entry fee. More than 500 cars would have been on display and at least 70 stalls were booked.

It had to be called off in May after days of heavy rain.



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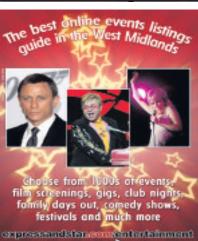
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The ambitious proposals for the site off Stourport Road include a hotel, railway station, business units, a restaurant, care home and creche. It comes as work continues to demolish the silos on the 67-acre site. Outline designs for the development have been

to demonst the subs on the or-acre site. Our submitted to Wyre Forest District Council by the St Francis Group.

They will go before the council's planning committee this week and have been recommended for approval.

Council bosses hope the massive project will kickstart the regeneration of the area.

Exciting

Plans for a link road through the site scooped £2.5 million government funding earlier this year. The project has been described as "excit-ing" by council leader John Campion.

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In a report to the committee, planning officer Julia Mellor states: "The former British Sugar site is one of the largest employment sites to the west of Birmingham and the current application provides

by Adam Burling

the opportunity to realise the long standing ambition to bring this brownfield vacant site back into economic use." The developers have been working closely with the district council on the plans which would see the railway halt created for the Severn Valley Railway as part of the scheme.

Mr Garnier said: "The redevelopment of the former British Sugar site in Kidderminster is a very important step in the path to economic recovery of both the town and the district."

The site has stood empty since British Sugar shut down operations in 2002 and the land was later sold.

Mixed reactions to waste plans

EARLY reactions to plans for a new waste plant in Brierley Hill have been mixed. A two-day exhibition on Clean Power Properties' proposal for the plant on disused land off Moor Street took place at the weekend. While only a trickle of people faced the rain to attend, plenty of opinion was aired to the firm's planning openshipate.

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The consultation, was at Brierley Hill Project, in South Street. The plant would turn domestic and commercial waste into gas to generate electricity for up to 8,000 homes. Bosses claim the plant, which would employ 30 people, would release low emissions without odour.

John Grosvenor, aged 66, of Pheasant Street, said he feared the plant would result in an increase in heavy traffic past his house.

Former town mayor Rosemary Tomkinson, 76, of Seagers Lane, also said she was concerned about the traffic. But added: "I actually think the plant is a great idea."

Park to stage dog show | Landmark



Young members of Dogs R Us Lily Harper and sister Isabelle with Barkley, a German shepherd, and Ivy, a Chihuahua cross, who will be taking part in the show

A SEDGLEY beauty spot is End, on July 21 with activities staging a dog show which will running from 11am. Owners aim to raise hundreds of will be able to enter their dogs pounds for a charity supporting deaf people.

The show will be at Baggeridge Country Park, Gospel

Hearing Dogs for Deaf People.

club JB's on track for reopening

Finishing touches are put to the revamp of JB's night-club in Dudley with bosses hopeful the venue will reopen within weeks.

The famous music venue in Castle Hill, has been com-

in Castle Hill, has been com-pletely refurbished.

New owner Raj Kumar is hoping to bring back its glory days. Mr Kumar said the works are 95 per cent complete with a new entrance now in place and a temporary sign.

temporary sign.

Legends of music includling Led Zeppelin, U2, Manic Street Preachers and Blur once graced the stage at the famous club. But it faced a bleak future after being put into adminis-tration and finally shutting

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Talks to start on filling up empty row of shops

a Wordsley street will be opened again for business received a

Dudley Council officers told an area com-

Dudley Council officers told an area committee meeting they had contacted the owners of outlets in Sandringham Place.

With councillor backing, the officers are to now set a meeting with each of the three landlords to discuss improving the look of each shop and potentially securing new tenants. The issue was brought to officers' extention of the second seco attention after residents voiced concern on how long four out of the six shops had been

how long four out of the six shops had been empty.

They feared they were an eyesore and could attract vandalism. Ward councillor Derrick Hemingsley said: "This has been going on too long. We have a line of shops which could be doing business and providing a centre for the local community, but instead many are empty, boarded-up and beginning to be an eyesore.

"Encouragement needs to be given to the owners to do something about each of the outlets.

Two out of the parade of six units are occupied by a convenience store and a food and wine outlet. A hairdressers and a food store were among the shops which were once

open there.

Councillor Hemingsley said: "I know of some potential entrepreneurs who would open here.

open here.
"They may not be the traditional fruit and weg sellers, but they offer life back into an area suffering right now."

Night for air ambulance

MIDLANDS Air Ambulance (MAA) Charity s organising a night out at Worcester Race

Course.

The charity has a limited number of entrance tickets available for the event on July 18. The £5 entrance fees will go to the Air Ambulance. Details can be found at www.midlandsairambulance.com or by calling 0800 8402040.

Band rewards pupils



A teen pop group performed at a Black Country school as pupils celebrated awards success.

brated awards success.
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Morlen, aged 17, Cherelle Williams,
Hollie McKinley, both 18, and Eyal
Booker, 16, sang at the ceremony at
Dormston School, Mill Bank,
Sedgley. The band sang to the 82

students and handed out an award for music while speaking about their own success. Among the winners were students Frazer Robertson and Katie Cunneen, both 14. They won outstanding achievement in ICT and music respectively. The performance was part of a tour of nearly 100 schools by the group.

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Spices & Costcutter When entering you are not only welcomed by friendly staff but a new Asian sweet counter which boasts an array of colourful Asian sweets and savouries, the selection includes Mushtaqs premium brand delicasies, mouth watering Gulab Jamun and Jalebi. The savouries also offer something for everybodies palet with favourites such as onion bhajis, samosas, katlama and kebabs. The Sweet counter is not the only thing that grabs your attention on entry but also the aromour of freshly baked bread. The counter consists

of mouthwatering eggless cakes and pasteries aswell as rolls, also available to order for those special occassions and also to tailor individual requirements.

The store also offers a wide range of everyday grocceries such as cakes, biscuits and toiletries, crisps, food and cleaning products, many from leading houshold brands. There is also a well stocked fruit and vegetable department offering the finest grade A produce. There are a wide range of lentils, beans and dals as well as a range of cooking oils and spices . you may also like to take a look at the meat counter offering a large selection of Halal meat . Other services include sales of Daily newspapers & magazines, medicines and first aid, Stamps and phone top ups. All major credit cards accepted and there is also a free cash machine available

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Get on board comedy and suffering plummeting busi-ness due to roadworks along a busy high street say they may

Traders may seek payout

as roadworks hit custom

Seek compensation.

Resurfacing work has been ongoing in Brockmoor High Street and Leys Road, Brierley Hill, for the past two weeks and the traders affected said they were counting the cost of the scheme that they say is a night-

TRADERS who claim they are losing out on hundreds of pounds

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mare. Some said they were considering applying for compensation to cover the costs of their lost trade during the four-week scheme. Preparatory works have been taking place along the route, a main road to the Merry Hill Shopping Centre, while resurfacing started this week. Motorists travelling from Wordsley are banned from going into Leys Road for a half-mile stretch up Brockmoor High Street. Rani Raj, of Select and Save, Brockmoor High Street, said the works had impacted seriously on trade.

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"I am not certain what compensation may be available but it is certainly something we will be considering."

Mark Wardley, who has run Black Country Bait and Tackle in the High Street for 25 years, said traffic was bottlenecked both in the morning and evenings.
"Sometimes it is even difficult to get to your own shop," he said.

Councillor Judy Foster has said the project was vitally important to the area.



A HOTEL that has been at the hub of com-mercial decision-making for centuries is to be the new home of a business networking

oe the new nome or a business networking organisation. Dunsley Hall Hotel, Kinver is to host a weekly breakfast meeting of Business Networking International (BNI), which has more than 660 groups in the UK and nearly 7,000 around the world.



Jo Tranter, Ken Baker and Mark Moran of The Mayhem Theatre Group get ready for a series of comedy plays including one about a coach trip

heart of Germany.

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One group of amateur actors will take their audience on a chaotic journey along the banks of the Rhine for their latest play.

And, just like Channel 4's Coach Trip, there will be plenty of laughter and tears along the way.

Members of the Mayhem Theatre Company used the services of coach operators Prospect Coaches in Lye

YOU NEVER know what might to plug the show. The firm has also happen on a coach trip – especially when it involves a journey to the heart of Germany.

One group of amateur actors will stake their audience on a chaotic from July 18-21.

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The production, called Men of the World, is one of three one-act comedy plays that will be performed on stage each night.

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Suspended term over drain thefts

A MAN who stole eight drain covers from a Dudley street has been given a suspended sentence.

Police caught Steven Drew loading the metal covers, worth £1,200, into a Nissan Micra in Stanley Road, Stourbridge.

Dudley Magistrates heard the 22-year-old hoped to sell them to pay off his debts and fines, amid fears bailiffs would call at his mother's home in Middlefield Road, Tividale, where he lives.

Drew admitted carrying out the theft andwas given a 12-week prison sentence, suspended for 12 months.

Mr Roger Bleazard, prosecuting, said: "Theft of this kind poses a grave danger to everyone."

Mr Shabeer Qureshi,

weryone."

Mr Shabeer Qureshi, defending, said Drew had been unemployed since January due to a serious arm injury and needed cash.

Pride of Austen fans defy the rain for show

More than 400 Jane Austen fans gathered for an outdoor performance of her classic story Pride and Prejudice at Hagley Hall. Sunny spells turned to showers as audiences arrived for the production held

on a small stage in the hall's grounds at the weekend.

But fans were not going to let rain dampen their spirits and stop them watching Chapterhouse Theatre Company bring the tale to life.

Many also took along picnics and bottles of wine. For those who did not want to get of wine. For those who did not want to get wet a marquee was erected in the grounds where people could sit. But many entered into the spirit of the event and chose to sit nearest the stage which was not covered.

Friends John Raphael, aged 51, and Julia Stevens, 45, both from Hagley, even dressed in period costume for the event.

Mrs Stevens, a lecturer at Halesowen College, said: "I absolutely love Jane Austen and have been looking forward to seeing the

and have been looking forward to seeing the

by Lee Watton

play for a long time. We decided to dress up for the occasion and thought some others might do the same. The atmosphere is great despite the weather." Mr Raphael, a hospi-tal doctor, wore a top hat during the per-

formance.

Ian and Rebecca Stevens, of The Flats,
Bromsgrove, were also there along with
daughters Emma, 14, and Laura, 10.

Mrs Stevens said she had treated herself
and her family to tickets in celebration of
her birthday. "Ilove the story and wanted to
see it on stage here in Hagley," she said.



John Raphael and Julia Stevens

Crematorium is a design winner

WYRE Forest's new £4.2 million cemetery and crematorium has won an award from the Royal Institute of British Architects.
It was named as one of the 75 buildings across the UK

to year halfest a solid of the 75 buildings across the Ox to pick up a regional winner award for 2012.

As part of the judging process, experts visited the building which opened in Minster Road in March to talk to visitors and staff.

The new site was created because space is running out

on the older Park Lane ground. It has full burial and cre-mation facilities, including a chapel of rest. A tree-lined avenue leads to buildings and landscaped

areas featuring wild flowers, rockeries and a pond. The judges praised the crematorium's appearance and said

"great care" had been taken with the design.

They said: "With thought and consideration the architect leaves with us a building that stands scrutiny from all sides."

The crematorium and cemetery has been built by Wyre Forest District Council and is managed by Dignity plc. Community wellbeing, chief, Councillor Ian Hardiman, said: "Many congratulations to the architects Howell Associates and Dignity plc, our partners in this project. It is great to hear the experts are impressed with the outcome

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Crackdown on boozing

PEOPLE who drink alcohol in the street are the subject of a fresh crackdown by police in West Bromwich.

Officers say a small minority of people are flouting byelaws which prohibit people from drinking in the street in the town centre.

Police are now holding talks with

Police are now holding talks with shopkeepers and licensees in the area to try to tackle the problem. Sgt Jack Boardman said: "Enjoy-

ing alcohol should be an activity that is enjoyed socially and responsibly.

"But there is a small minority of people in West Bromwich that continue to flout the byelaws that are in

Multi-million pound plan for town centre is revealed

regeneration scheme in Dudley town centre has been unveiled.

The boarded-up Cavendish House

will be demolished.

Residents can see plans for the site by property development company Avenoury at a consultation event next week. Officials will be at the Churchill Shopping Centre on Friday, July 20 and Sat-

urday, July 21, to talk people through the scheme known as Porters Field.

The exhibition will be open between noon and 5pm on the Friday and 10am and 2pm on the Saturday. The project team will be on hand seeking feedback from the public on the plans. A supermarket, other shops, restaurant, petrol station and a 500-space car park will be built under Avenbury's proposals.

The site will be anchored by a link

The site will be anchored by a link with Trindle Road being redesigned to run alongside Dudley Southern Bypass.

Land opened up by the rervouced roam will form part of the new shopping development to link the supermarket with the shops at the Churchill Shopping Centre and Birdcage Walk.

Adjacent

The plans are being brought forward by Avenbury as part owner of the site and owner of land adjacent to Dudley bus station. The Porters Field proposals are separate to those plans put forward recently by Cavendish Quarter Properties which has revealed propos-

spokesman, Ed Grieve, said: "The scheme will unlock the potential of the site by diverting Trindle Road and bringing with it jobs and improvements to public transport infrastructure and pedestrian flow which will directly help the economy of the town centre." Deputy Dudley Council leader, Coun-cillor Shaukat Ali, added, even though

it will need to go through all the normal planning processes, it is nonetheless very exciting.

Warning after mattress fire

FIRE crews are reminding people of the dangers posed by cigarettes after a house fire in Tividale.

Firefighters were called to a twostorey, semi-detached house in Mary Road last week where they found a small fire in a mattress in a first floor bedroom.

Crews led a woman, believed to be 43, to safety before ventilating the

commander Andrew Maples of Oldbury fire station said the lady had fallen asleep while smoking. When she realised the mattress was on fire she tried to put it out. The firefighters found that neither of the two smoke alarms in the house had batteries fitted.

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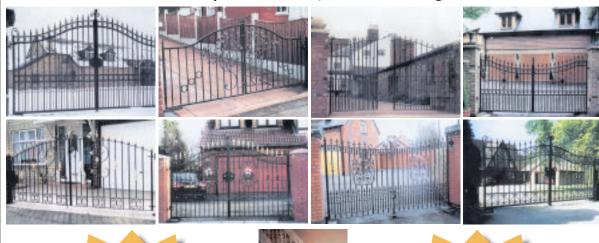
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Sophie hopes to cover cost of trip



Sophie Harris, of Cam Gardens, Pensnett, who has recorded an album of covers

A SCHOOLGHRL has recorded her own covers album to pay for a trip to a West End stage school. Sophie Harris, aged 12, from Pensnett, has recorded an album covering hits by Amy Winehouse, Adele and Bruno Mars among others.

Proceeds from its sale will cover the Kingswinford School pupils' deposit, accommodation and tuition at London's West End Stage School, founded by Andrew Lloyd Webber. The total costs of the week-long trip in August will be more than \$1,000.

than £1,000.

Mother Vanessa, a kitchen assistant and mobile hairdresser from Cam Gardens, said she was indebted to other people who have helped Sophie as well. Among them are Kingswinford's Cavendish Cleaners who have cleaned Sophie's costumes for free, and Vocanics, a recording studio in Wall Heath, which has provided free sessions. Her school has produced the album for free.

Sophie has recently earned herself a starring role in Fame, to play at Brierley Hill Civic Hall on July 20-21. The CD costs £3 and is available from the school.

Summer strolls are planned around hall

the renowned Himley Hall and Park in the Dudley

borough.

Dudley Council has organised the free walks around the

Visitors will discover the magnificent woodland and fea-tures of the park created by one of England's greatest land-scapers, Lancelot "Capability" Brown in the 18th century.

The walks are led by the former senior warden at Himley Alan Peace, who will share his knowledge of the area and

Activities take place in the park after the walks including free band concerts, offering families the chance to enjoy a picnic on the lawns to the sounds of music.

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SATURDAY'S TV 14.07.12

CHOICE



The Million Pound Drop Channel 4. 9pm

presents the guiz show in which contestants can win £1million, but where they can just as easily walk away with nothing. They are challenged to place large quantities of the cash over trapdoors and face a series of questions, with wrong answers losing them money every time they slip up. Celebrity pairs also compete for their chosen charities during the series. but it's those ordinary folk who can see their chance of a life-saving sum disappearing before their eyes, that make this programme must-watch TV.

6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday
Kitchen Live. 11.30 Raymond
Blank Kitchen Secrets.

12.00
Blank Kitchen Secrets.

12.00
Breakfast. 12.00
Breakfast. 12.00
British Olympic Dreams. Featuring
British Olympic Dreams. Featuring
British athletes tipped for success
at London 2012. 2.00 Live
Athletics: London Grand Prix. 5.00
Regional Programme. 5.30
Pointless Celebrities. (R)
6.10 BBC News. Regional News;

Pointess Celebrities. (R)

6.10 BBC News: Regional News; Weather.

6.30 Film: Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom. (1984) The archaeologist travels to India, where he battles to retrieve sacred stones in the possession of an evil cult. Action adventure, starring Harrison Ford and Kate Capshaw.

Capsnaw.

8.20 The National Lottery: Secret Fortune. Siblings Zoe and Ronnie compete in the high-tension quiz show presented by Nick Knowles, hoping to win enough money to take their mother on a trip to Las Vaces.

their mother on a trip to Las Vegas.

9.10 Casualty. The ED staff deal with a potentially fatal application of force by police officers, who use a stun gun on an ex-con during a domestic incident. Guest starring Natalie Gavin.

10.00 BBC News; Weather.

10.20 Mrs Brown's Boys. Dermot opts cold feet in the run-up to his wedding. (R)

10.50 I live at the Anollo. Sarah

10.50 Live at the Apollo. Sarah Millican hosts, with Russell Kane and Steve Hughes; (R) National Lottery Update.

11.35 Film: Arlington Road. (1999) Thriller, starring Jeff Bridges and Tim Robbins. 1.25 Weatherview. 1.30 BBC News

BBC2

6.00 GBeebies, 7.00 GBBC, 12.00 Escape to the Country (R) 1.00 Live Golf: Scottish Open. Hazel Irvine presents coverage of the third round at Castle Stuart in Inverness, as the players try to move up the leaderboard and put themselves in contention for the title. 5.15 Live Challenge Gud. 100 Live Challenge Cov. Wight Vagan Varion (Kids-Child).

ITOTP2. Mark Radcliffe introduces performances by KC and the Sunshine Band, Everything But the Girl, the Jam, Robert Palmer, Neneh Cherry and Jilted John. (R)

Cherry and Jilted John. (8)

1.39 Film: The Painted Veil.

(2006) An English doctor in 1920s China takes his unfaithful wife on a dangerous journey to a remote village ravaged by disease. Period drand Morton and starring Edward Norton and 1.25 Film: Summer Hours. (2008) Premiere. Drama, starring Juliette Binoche Charles Berlino and

Binoche, Charles Berling and Jeremie Renier. 3.05 Close.

ITV1

6.00 CITV. Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV.
8.25 Saturday Cookbook. 9.25 ITV.
News. 9.30 In Jeremy Kyle Show.
USA. 11.20 The Pale Housewives
of New York City. 12.15 ITV News;
Weather. 12.25 You've Been
Framed (R) 12.50 Film:
Brewster's Millions. (1985) 2.45
Film: Live and Let Die. (1973) 5.00
Regional Programme;
Weather. 5.15 ITV News; Weather.
5.30 Primesv.

5.30 You've Been Framed! A dog that can open a fridge. (R)
7.00 The Cube. Phillip Schofield inside 5.00m world

The Cube. Phillip Schofield invites 5,000m world champion Mo Farah to take on a series of liendishly difficut challenges inside the cube in the hope of winning a \$250,000 charity jackpot. Superstar. The 30 hopefuls are invited to perform at Andrew Lloyd Webber's Majorcan villa, and the 20 most impressive then compete to win a place in his final 10. Continues

9.00 The Nation's Favourite
Number 1 Single. The
countdown enters the top 40
as Fearne Cotton continues as Fearne Cotton Continues the search for the UK's best-loved chart-topping singles of the past 60 years. Concludes tomorrow.

10.30 ITV News; Weather. 10.45 Mad Mad World. With Lisa Snowdon, Gino D'Acampo and Martin Kemp.

and Martin Kemp.

11.30 Take Me Quit. A former rocker, a postman, a plumber and an accountant take part of the store, (R)

12.35 The Store; ITV News Headlines. 2.40 In Plain Sight. (R)

3.20 ITV Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning News.

CHANNEL 4

CHANNEL 4
6.10 Channel 4 Fresents – London
2012: Jody Cundy Part III. (R) 6.15
The Hoobs. (R) 6.38 Superbike
World Championship 2012: (R)
7.05 British F3. 7.30 The Grid: 7.55
The Morning Line 8.55 T4. Love
the Beach 2012: 2.55 T4. Love
10.55 T4. Revenge. 11.55 T4. The
Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.25 T4:
Summer Daze. 12.55 T4. The
Simpsons. (R) 1.30 Channel 4
Racing. 4.00 Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.35 Come Dine with Me. (R)
6.55 Channel 4 News.
6.35 4thought. W. Church of
England vicar Jenny Thomas
explains why she believes
women are treated unitarity
within the Church.
6.40 Film: Twilight. (2008)

within the Church.

6.40 Film: Twilight. (2008)
Teenager Bella moves to a small town to live with her father and embarks on a passionate romance with a vampire. Fantasy love story with Kristen Stewart.

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9.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. The Only Way Is Essex stars Joey Essex and Sam Faiers take part in the quiz show, aiming to win up to £1 million for their chosen by the control of the control

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Ice Age 4: Movie Special. 10.30 Animal 6.00 Milkshakel 10.00 Ice Age 4: Movie Special 10.30 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 10.45 Meerkat Manor. (R) 11.15 Big Brother: The Eviction. (R) 12.15 Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads. (R) 12.05 Film: MoBretie: The Doctor Is Out, Really Out. (2005) 4.55 Film: The Kentuckian. (1955)
7.05 5 News Weekend.
7.10 NCIS. An admiral is found executed by the side of a road, but the agents have trouble ascertaining a motive for his murder. Meanwhile, McGee makes a discovery MoCIS. Tony's former Baltimore PD partner is murdered, raising fears that the port-to-port killer has

Battimore PD partner is murdered, raising fears that the port-to-port killer has struck again — until new evidence suggests the crime was the work of a copycat. (R)

copycat. (R)

9.00 Big Brother. Highlights of the most recent goings-on, including the latest eviction from the housemates' point of view.

from the nousernates point of view.

10.00 Film: Awake. (2007)

10.00 Film: Awake. (2007)

undergoes an out-of-body experience during surgery and discovers someone is planning to murder him. Thriller, starring Hayden Christensen and Jessica Alba.

11.40 Forensic Files. How the latest scientific and forensic tables are and help solve.

latest scientific and forensic techniques can help solve puzzling crimes. (R) 12.10 SuperCasino. 4.00 HouseBusters. (R) 4.25 Great Scientists. (R) 4.50 County Scorets. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshakel Show. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

7.00 Doctor Who 7.50 Doctor Who Confidential 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 Film: Good Will Hunting (1997)
11.00 Family Guy 11.45 American
Dad!

RRC Four

7.00 The Blue Planet 8.00 Illuminations: The Private Lives of Medieval Kings 9.00 Film: Mesrine: Public Enemy Number One (2008) 11.05 Wonders of the Solar System

ITV2
3.40 The Planet's Funniest Animals
4.05 America's Got Talent 6.55
Film: Batteries Not Included (1987)
9.00 Film: 2 Fast 2 Furious (2003)
11.10 Celebrity Juice: Girls on Top
Special 11.55 Mark Wright's
Hollywood Nights

3.55 Foyle's War 8.00 Doc Martin

9.00 Lewis. A businesswoman is bludgeoned to death. Last in the series. 11.00 Film: Stiff Upper Lips (1998)

2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France 4.30 British Superbike Championship Highlights 6.00 20 Football Transfers That Shocked the World 7.00 Cycling: Tour de France Highlights 8.00 Film: Jacke Charling: First Strike (1986) 9.45 Film: Born to Raise Hell (2010) 11.40 The Big Match Revision

54 3.00 Desperate Housewives 4.00 Revenge 5.00 How I Met Your Mother 6.00 The Big Bang Theory 8.30 How I Met Your Mother 9.00 Film: John Tucker Must Die (2006) 10.50 The Big Bang Theory 11.45 The Midnight Beast

3.00 Doctor Dolittle (1967) 5.50 James Cameron Special 6.00 The Abyss (1989) 8.50 Avatar Special 9.00 Avatar (2009)



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SUNDAY'S TV 15.07.12

CHOICE



Kenneth Branagh

BBC1, 9pm

Wallander is sent to Riga after the disfigured corpses of two men are found on a life raft. However, several incidents make him wonder if his Latvian counterpart, Major Karlis Liepa, may be leaking information to those responsible for the murders. Kenneth Branagh, Soren Malling and Ingeborga Dapkunaite star in a tale written in the early 1990s. The book comments on the unstable political situations faced by former Soviet republics at that time, so it will be interesting to see how this adaptation – made two decades later – handles that aspect of the story.

6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 Sunday Mornia Live. 11.00 Country Tracks; (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 Sunday Politics. 1.00 Bargin Hunt. (R) 1.45 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) 2.45 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.45 Super Smart Animals. (R) 4.45 Lifeline. 4.55 Songs of Praise. 5.30 World War II Unearthed.

- Unearthed.

 6.30 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce and the team search for treasure at the Old Royal Naval College at Greenwich, where items include a rare set of medals and a Lalique glass figure found under a
- bed. (R)
 7.30 BBC News; Regional News;
- 7.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather:
 8.00 Countyfile. Julia Bradbury and John Craven visit Snowdonia, where she tries. Snowdonia, where she tries. Combination walking and rock-climbling and explores a rainforest.
 9.00 Wallander. Two bodies are found on a life raft in Ystad harbour and Wallander investigates, but soon realises the Lativian cop helping him cannot be trusted. Guest starring Soren Malling.
- 10.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather
- Weather.

 10.55 John Bishop's Britain. The comedian gets funny about animals. (R)

 11.40 Room 101 Extra Storage.
 With John Prescott Rebecca Front and Micky Flanagan.

 12.20 Weatherview. 12.25 Sign Zone: Indian Ocean with Simon Reeve. (R) 1.25 Holby City. (R)

 2.20 DIV SOS: The Big Build. (R)
 3.20 Food Factory. (R) 3.50 Fake Britain. (R) 4.35 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies, 7.00 CBBC, 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites, 11.30 Raymond Blanc: The Very Hungry Frenchman, (R) 12.30 MotoGP, 2.00 Live Golf: Scottish Open, 5.15 Live Challenge Cup Rugby League, 7.30 Flog It! Will Axon and Thomas Plant examine

- Ihomas Plant examine interesting items in Southend-on-Sea, Essex, including an original Louis Wain picture, a Waterloo bowl and a 19th-century skeleton clock. (R)
- skeleton clock. (R)

 8.00 Engineering Giants: Jumbo
 Jet Strip-Down. New series.
 The inner workings of some
 of the world's biggest
 machines. Tom
 Wriggiesworth and Rob Bell
 watch as a 14-year-old
 Boeing 747 jumbo jet is
 taken apart and reassembled.
- taken apart and reassembled.

 9.00 World's Most Dangerous

 Roads. Sue Perkins and Liza

 Tarbuck drive along the Ho

 Chi Minh Trail, a network of

 roads running through

 jungles and mountains in

 Southeast Asia that is littered

 with unexploded bombs.
- 10.00 Mock the Week. A look back at the week's news, with guests Josh Widdicombe and Miles Jupp joining regulars Hugh Dennis, Andy Parsons and Chris Addison.
- Parsons and Chris Addison.

 10.30 Line of Duty. Amost is convinced Gates played a part in Jackie's disappearance, so the team sets a trap, hoping he will reveal his involvement in covering up the missing woman's crimes. (R)

 11.30 Twenty Twelve. Someone is caught modifying Olympic starting pistols to fire live rounds. (R)

 12.00 Film: Irina Palm. (2007)

 1.40 BBC News. 4.35 Close.

6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. 8.25 Dinner Date. 9.25 ITV News. 9.30 House Gift. (R) 10.25 There's No Taste Like Home. (R) 11.20 The Hungry Saliors. (R) 12.20 ITV News; Weather. 12.25 Dickinson's Real Deal. (R) 1.30 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 2.30 Film: Columbo: Wrote. (R) 2.30 Film: Columbo: Also No. 6 Martin. (R) 5.20 The Chase. (R) 4.30 Film: Chase. (R) 6.25 Regional Programme:

- onase. (R)
 6.25 Regional Programme;
 Weather.
 6.40 ITV News; Weather.
 7.00 Emmerdale. Marlon is
- Emmerdale. Marlon is devastated to hear what Paddy and Rhona are planning and decides that if they do move away, they must leave Leo with him.
- must leave Leo with him.
 7.30 Coronation Street. Peter
 urges Carla to give him
 another chance.
 8.00 Superstar. The 10 finalists
 compete to win viewers'
 votes for the first time as
 judges Andrew Lloyd
 Webber, Dawn French and
 Jason Donovan assess their
 star quality. Continues
 tomorrow.
- tomorrow.

 30 The Nation's Favourite
 Number 1 Single. The
 celebration of the UK's bestloved singles of the past 60
 years concludes as Fearne
 Cotton reveals which one the
 public has voted as their
 favourite. Last in the series.

 11.00 ITV News; Weather.

 11.20 The Cube. Current 5,000m
 world champion Mo Farah
 takes part. (R)

 12.15 Premiership Rugby Sevens
- takes part. (R)
 12.15 Premiership Rugby Sevens
 Series. 1.10 The Store; ITV News
 Headlines. 3.10 British Superbike
 Championship Highlights. 4.20
 Motorsport UK. 5.10 ITV
 Nightscreen. 5.30 ITV Morning
 News.

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Treacle People. (R) 6.10 Sail Mali. 6.15 Ironman 2012. 6.40 Canary Wharf Triathlon, 7.10 The Great Swim Series. 8.05 Will & Grace. (R) 8.30 Will & Grace. (R) 8.30 Will & Grace. (R) 8.30 Will & Grace. (R) 9.25 Frasier. (R) 10.00 Sunday Brunch. 12.30 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 12.55 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.25 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.25 The Simpsons. (R) 1.55 The Simpsons. (R) 1.55 The Simpsons. (R) 1.30 The January Control of the Simpsons. (R) 1.55 The Simpsons. (R) 2.30 Film: Angus, Thone 2012. 5.30 Three in a Bed. (R) 6.30 Channel 4 News.

- 6.30 Channel 4 News.
 - 4thought.tv. A Catholic woman married to a Church of England priest discusses why she opposes the ordination of female bishops.
- 7.00 Deal or No Deal. Noel Edmonds hosts the game show in which contestants try to guess the values of mystery boxes.
- try to guess the values of mystery boxes.

 Come Dine with Me. Four dinner-party hosts compete in the Peterborough area, in a week which sees the food being overshadowed by the often fractious relationships between the contestants. Thelma's Gypsy Girls.
 Thelma Madine's trainees begin their course in dressmaking, but tensions rise as they try to get used to life in a professional workplace.

- professional workplace.

 10.00 Meeting lan Brady. The killer's request to move to a mainstream prison.

 11.05 Film: Another 48 Hours. (1990) Comedy thriller sequel, starring Eddie Murphy and Nick Nolte.

 1.00 Camelot. (R) 1.50 The Moonbird. (R) 2.05 Hollyoaks. (R) 4.20 Deal or No Deal. (R) 5.15 Grudge Match. (R) 5.25 Countdown. (R)

CHANNEL 5

CHANNEL 5
6.00 Milkchakel: Peppa Pig, 6.05
Roary the Reating Car. (R) 6.15 Fill
Roary the Reating Car. (R) 6.55 Fill
Roary the Reating Car. (R) 6.55 Fill
Friends. (R) 6.40 Harry and His
Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) 6.50
Castle Farm. (R) 6.55 Abby Flying
Fairy School. 7.05 Roobarb and
Custard Too. (R) 7.15 Bananas in
Pyjamas. (R) 7.25 Family! (R) 7.35
Moddy in Toyland. (R) 7.35 Bert
Milkshakel Monkoy. (R) 7.50 Bert
Milkshakel

- evidence mounts, she wonders if her friend could really be a killer.
- 9.00 Big Brother. Daily round-up of highlights.
- of highlights.

 10.00 Film: Cobra. (1986) Thriller, with Sylvester Stallone.

 11.40 Film: Knock Off. (1998) Action thriller, starring Jean-Claude Van Damme.
- Claude Van Damme.

 1.30 SuperCasino. 4.05 Sons of Anarchy. 4.50 County Secrets. (R) 5.00 Hana's Helpline. (R) 5.10 The Milkshake! Show. (R) 5.35 Thomas & Friends. (R) 5.45 Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three
7.00 World's Craziest Fools 7.30
Great Movie Mistakes 2011: Not in
30 7.35 Shrek: Once Upon A Time
8.35 Film: Shrek (2001) 10.00
Family Guy 10.45 American Dad!
11.30 Snog, Marry, Avoid?
BBC Four

7.00 Wainwright: The Man Who Loved the Lakes 8.00 Roundhead or Cavalier 9.00 100 Years of the Palladium 10.00 Film: Knuckle (2011) 11.30 Wainwright: The Man Who Loved the Lakes ITV2
2.35 Film: Free Willy 3: The Rescue
(1997) 4.25 Film: The Mummy
(1999) 6.50 Film: The Incredible
Hulk (2008) 9.00 Benidorm 10.00
Film: Hellboy II: The Golden Army
(2008)

ITV3
3.40 Film: Summer Holiday (1963)
5.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot 8.00
Agatha Christie's Marple 10.00
Wire in the Blood

ITV4
2.00 Live Cycling: Tour de France.
Coverage of stage 14 of the world's
most famous cycler ace. 4.30
Police, Camera, Actiont 5.00 The
Professionals 6.00 Tommy Cooper
7.00 Cycling: Tour de France
Highlights 8.00 Premiership Rugby
Sevens Series 9.00 Film:
Demolition Man (1993) 11.15 Film:
The Gauntlet (1977)

3.50 Glee 4.50 New Girl 5.20 The Big Bang Theory 6.15 Revenge 7.10 Film: Dr Dolittle (1998) 9.00 World's Greatest Body Shockers 11.05 2 Broke Girls 11.35 New Girl

5.10 The Time Machine (1960)
5.20 Titanic (1997) 9.00 Aliens (1986) James Cameron's sci-fi thriller sequel, with Sigourney Weaver and Lance Henriksen.





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Monday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 9.15 Heir Hunters. (R) 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer; (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Cowboy Trap. (R) 18BC News; Weather. 11.00 EX Reves; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.25 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.45 Dectors. 2.15 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.00 BBC News; Weather. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. (R) 6.00 BBC News. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Food Factory; BBC News; Regional News. 3.00 EastEnders. 8.30 Britain's Biggest Waste Dumpers – Panorama. 9.00 Blackout. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News. 10.35 Usain Bolt. The Fastest Man Alive. 11.35 Film. Lile. (R) 2.25 Regional News. 1.25 Sign. 20 Regional News. 10.35 Lisain Bolt. The Fastest Man Alive. 11.35 Film. Lile. (R) 2.25 Regional News. (R) 2.25 Regional Regional

(R) 3.40 Great British Menu. (R) 4.40 BBC News.

BBC 26.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30
CBeebies. 11.30 BBC World News.
12.00 Daily Politics. 1.00 Climbing Great Buildings.
(R) 1.30 To Buy or Not to Buy. (R) 2.15 Weakest
Link. (R) 3.00 Show Me the Monet. 3.45 The Hairy
Bikers' Food Tour of Britain. (R) 4.30 Flogil (It (R) 5.15
Antiques Road Trip. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. (R) 6.30
Great British Falliway Journeys. (R) 700 Bables in
the Office. 8.00 University Challenge. 8.30 The
Hairy Bakers. Dave Myers and SI King prepare pies
and pastles. (R) 9.00 The Riots: In Their Own
Words. Part one of two. Eyewithess accounts of last
August's disturbances. 10.00 Cl. (R) 10.30
Newsnight. 11.20 World's Most Dangerous Roads.
(R) 12.20 BBC News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.

Jacopotz44; 11V News Headines. 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 3.55 TITV Nightsoreen.

Channel 4. 6.10 Sali Mali. (R) 6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 Freshly Squeezed. 7.35 According to Jim. (R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Frasier. (R) 9.00 Undercover Boss USA. (R) 10.00 Four Hooms. (R) 11.00 You Deserve This House. 12.00 Channel 4 News Midday Summary. 12.05 Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 10.5 River Cottage Bites. (R) 12.05 Lamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 10.5 River Cottage Bites. (R) 12.05 Lamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 10.5 River Cottage Bites. (R) 12.05 Lamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 10.5 River Cottage Bites. (R) 12.05 Lamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 10.5 River Cottage Bites. (R) 10.00 Lamies. (R) 10.00 Lamies

Channel 5 words and Traillers. (R) 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Big Brother. (R) 1.15 Neighbours. 2.15 The Mentalist. (R) 3.15 Rosamunde Pilcher's Autumn. 5.00 5 News at 1.15 News Lunchtime. 12.15 The Mentalist. (R) 3.15 Rosamunde Pilcher's Autumn. 5.00 5 News at 6.00 7.00 Convoy Bullers. (R) 6.30 5 News at 6.00 7.00 Convoy Bullers. (R) 5 News Update. 8.00 Police Interceptors. Officers track down a driver trying to outrun the (H) 5 News Update. 8.00 Police Interceptors. Officers track down a driver trying to outrun the law; (R) 5 News at 9. 9.00 Big Brother. The housemates continue their supervised summer holiday, 10.00 The Walking Dead. 11.00 Film: Candyman 3: Day of the Dead. (1999) Premiere. Horror, starring Tony Todd. 12.45 Forensic Files. (R) 1.15 SuperCasino, 4.00 Nick's Quest. (R) 4.25 Wildlife SOS. (R) 5.10 House Doctor. (R)

Tuesday

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Channel 5

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Wednesday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast 9.15 Heir Hunters, (R) 10.00 Homes Under the Hunmers (R) BBC News; Weather, 11.00 Cowboy Trap. (R) 11.45 You've Been Scammed; (R) BBC News. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News. 13.0 Regional News; Weather, 1.45 Doctors, 2.15 Escape to the Country, (R) 3.00 BBC News, 3.05 CBBC, 5.15 Pointless, (R) 6.00 BBC News, 3.05 CBBC, 5.15 Pointless, (R) 6.00 BBC News, Weather, 6.30 Regional News Programmes, 7.00 The One Show, 2.00 Test Schilling, BBC News, 10.25 Regional News, 10.35 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. 10.04 BBC News, 10.25 Regional News, 10.35 The National Lottery Wednesday Night Draws. 10.45 Have I Got Old News for You. (R) 11.15 Great British Islam; National Lottery Update, 11.45 Film: DOA. (1988) 1.15 Weatherview, 1.20 Sign Zone: Britain's Lost Routes with Griff Rhys Jones, (R) 2.20 Falke Britian. (R) 3.05 Great British Menu. (R) 4.05 BBC News.

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BBC 26.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30
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Restoration Home. 9.00 The Riotis: In Their Own
Words. 10.00 The Culture Show. 10.30 Newsnight;
Weather. 11.20 Golf: The Open Preview. 11.50 The
Secret History of Our Streets. (R) 12.50 BBC
News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.

Channel 4 5.00 Carary Wharf Triathlon. (R) 6.30 The Treatle People. (R) 6.40 The Hoobs. (R) 7.05 Freshly Squeezed. 7.35 According to Jim. (R) 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.30 Frasier. (R) 9.00 Undercover Boss USA. (R) 10.00 Four Rooms. (R) 11.00 You Deserve This House. 12.00 Channel 4 News Midday Summary 12 05. Ismaies Rooms. (R) 1100 You Deserve This House. 12.00 Channel 4 News Midday Summary. 12.05 Jamie's 30 Minute Meals. (R) 12.35 Gok Cooks Chinese. (R) 1.05 Channel 4 Presents — London 2012: Helen Turner Part II. (R) 1.10 Film: The Adventures of Quentin Durward. (1955) 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Four in a Bed. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 700 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.v. 8.00 Supersize vs Superskinry. (R) 9.00 24 Hours in A&E. 10.00 The Wrestlers: Fighting with My 12.05 Music on 4: Summer Daze. (R) 12.40 Music on 4: Ibiza Rocks. 12.50 Music on 4: Wakestock 2012. 1.45 Music on 4: Spotlight. 2.00 Music on 4: 4Play: The Good Natured. 2.10 Music on 4: 4Play: Marina and the Diamonds. (R) 2.15 Film: Strings. (2004) 3.50 St Elsewhere. (R)

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CBeebies. 9.00 Live Golf: The Open Championship. Coverage of the opening day's play at Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club. 8.00 Natural World: Living with Baboons. Mat Prines's tive-year study of the lives of baboons in Erlibipia. 9.00 Pompeii: Life and Death in a Roman Town. The lives of residents just before Mr Vesurus's eruption. (R) 10.00 The Boss is Back. New series. Revisiting firms featured in TV series Back to the Floor. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Engineering Giants: Jumbo Jet Strip-Down. The inner workings of some of the world's biggest machines. (R) 12.20 The Culture Show. (R) 12.50 BBC News. 4.00 BBC Learning Zone.

Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 TV Morning News.

Channel 4

6.15 The Hoobs. (R) 6.40
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BBC 2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.30 CBeebies. 9.00 Live Golf: The Open Championship. Coverage of the second day's play at Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club. 8.00 FHS Flower Show Tatton Park 2012. 8.30 Gardeners' World. 9.00 The Great British Story. A People's History. How Britain was transformed during the Tudor period. 10.00 The Sarah Millican Television Programme. Simon Callow and Phyllis Logan join Sarah to talk about costume drama. (R) 10.30 Newsnight. 11.00 The Review Show. A review of David Bailey's latest exhibition. 11.45 Weather. 11.50 Film: Jindabyne. (2006) Drama, starring Gabriel Byrne and Laura Linney. 1.45 BBC News. 4.15 Close.

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11 V 1 6.00 Daybreak, 8.30 Lorraine, 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show, 10.30 This Morning, 12.30 Let's Do Lunch with Gino & Mel. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 Drive to Buy, 3.00 Secret Dealers, 3.59 Regional Weather, 4.00 A Touch of Frost. (R) 5.00 Tipping Point. 6.00 Regional News; Weather, 6.30 ITV News; Weather, 7.00 Emmerdale, 7.30 Coronation Street, 8.00 Britain's Secret Treasures, 8.30 Coronation Street, 9.00 Superstar, 10.30 ITV News; Weather, 11.05 Regional News; Weather, 11.10 Film; City Slickers, (1991) Comedy adventure, starring Billy Crystal. 1.10 The Store; ITV News Headlines, 2.45 Film; Eyes Wide Shut, (1999) 5.15 ITV Nightscreen, 5.30 ITV News.

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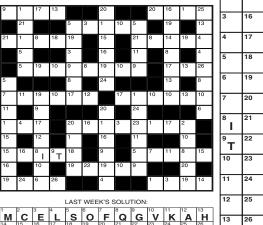
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Cryptic Clues:

Across

- 1. A more sanctimoni-
- ous supporter? (4)
 8. Nevertheless
 there's a lack of
 variety (3,3,4)
- development? (4.4)
- 10. Preposition to put in first (4)

 12. A girl that is follow-
- ing another (6)
- 14. Marks that upset good men (6) Very little time (6) 17. But he needn't be
- licensed to make tea! (6) 18. The kind to operate an office machine
- Strongly reminis-cent of State Aid in
- rent (8)
 Perhaps pity is
 love, really (10)
- 22. Rings back repeat edly for nothing special (2-2)

Quick Clues: Across

- 12. Bear witness (6)
 14. Zodiac sign (6)
 15. Infuse (6)
 17. Boil (6)

- 2. Inability in volume
- (10)3. It's coarse to have a quarrel (4)
 4. Retreat for a chap
- 9. Place set aside for about fifty (6) 5. Comes to a similar
 - conclusion (6)

 6. Set a time for the
 - reckoning (8) 7. A Roman emperor in a manner of
 - speaking (4)

 11. The unusually stern needs of affection
 - (10) 13. It makes an occa
 - sion memorable (8)

 16. I wager it's different for an insect (6)
 - 17. There's a lot he wants, presumably!
 - (6) 18. Sends a morse message, and intercepts it! (4)
 - 20. Sets down songs

- 1. Salute (4)
 8. After some delay (2,4,4)
 9. Differ (8)
- 10. Offhand (4)

- 17. Boil (o) 18. Bring up (4) 19. Interrogate (8) 21. Dawn (5-2-3)

Down

- 2. Help (10)
- 3. Molten rock (4) 4. Red wine (6)
- **5.** Purpose (6)
- 6. Enjoyment (8) 7. Remain (4)
- 11. Brawl (5-5)
- 13. Outer (8)
- 16. Strong drink (6) 17. Stable (6)
- 18. Gem (4)
- 20. Playthings (4)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 7 Etude; 8 Tragedy; 9 Schemer; 10 Idled; 12 Sheet music; 15 Biting wind; 18 Earth; 19 Artisan; 21 Couplet; 22 Rider. Down: 1 Reasonable; 2 Ought; 3 Beam; 4 Starw; 5 Talisman; 6 Realise; 11 Dictionary; 13 Handhold; 14 Sternum; 16 Wealth; 17 Aside; 20 Tare. QUICK: Across: 7 Idler; 8 Therapy; 9 Habitue; 10 Realm; 12 Possession; 15 Sedulously; 18 Yeast; 19 Enthral; 21 Enclose; 22 Might. Down: 1 Dishonesty; 2 Globe; 3 Freit; 4 Stress; 5 Reprisal; 6 Satanic; 11 Manipulate; 13 Oblation; 14 Advance; 16 Uneven; 17 Dregs; 20 Tame. Sudoku

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front, a garage and rear garden, and with no upward chain the property is

with no upward chain the property is ready to move into.
On the ground floor the cloakroom has a low level flush WC and wash hand basin while the lounge is 13ft 7in by 10ft 4in and the dining area 15ft 6in by

OFFERS in the region of the accommodation comprising of 10ft 4in and open plan to the kitchen - £156,500 are being invited for hall, guest cloakroom, lounge, 13ft 3in by 11ft 7in - and with a range a three bedroom semiwork surfaces over, stainless stee sink/drainer, integrated oven and hob stainless steel extractor hood and plumbing for appliances. On the first floor are three bedrooms

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3.8 acres including breathtaking gardens.
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Five reception rooms radiate off including a dual aspect dining room

with a stone-effect fireplace and with a stone-effect irreplace and French doors to the garden, a cosy sitting room focused around an inglenook open fire and a breakfast room with French door access to the kitchen with a timeless range of classic timber cupboards, two oven Aga and Smeg electric oven.

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Converted buildings off an inner vestibule include a useful china pantry, temperature controlled wine store and family room/gymnasium.

On the first floor are five individual character bedrooms, four en suite, and all overlooking the beautiful grounds.

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The expansive mature gardens are a

The expansive mature gardens are a

particular feature of the property with a number of terraces and sweeping lawns with specimen trees, and there is also a floodlit hard surface tennis court and outbuildings including a rebuilt former stable used for garden storage and a greenhouse.

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There is also an orchard area behind a four-car garage with a mixture of apple, pear and plum trees.

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Baby you can drive my car . . . it's a hit from a modern Beetle

Beetle and I have fond memories of learning to drive and after passing my test exploring the country with my new found

It wasn't always plain sailing and having some mechanical ability certainly helped. Nevertheless, I have always held the Beetle in high esteem.



suggested that new Beetle has evolved from the original: I disagree. If you take a look at the Porsche 911 you can see a direct

line back to the original.

Not so with the Beetle, the new one has front engine, front wheel drive so for me it is a homage to the original. If this sounds like I disapprove of the new Beetle then you are mistaken.

For a start the latest incarnation of the Dettle back warmed.

tion of the Beetle has moved forward the latest shape the most obvious

most obvious change being the rear light clusters which I was not

was not struck on. It is only when you compare directly

with the model before you see the signifi-cant body changes that have been made. That said it is still unmistakably a Beetle.

Opening the driver's door reveals a colour coded dashboard that is not dissimcolour coded dashooard that is not dissimilar to my first car and gives a perspective which I think is unique in today's cars.

The dashboard is clearly laid out with

what has to be the largest fuel gauge I have ever seen

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Then I spotted the Fender decal on the door speakers. This is a £500 upgrade that gives 400watts of power a subwoofer in the boot and illuminated door speakers. It is

boot and illuminated door speakers. It is worth every penny if you enjoy listening to your music.

What does differ dramatically from my first car is the performance and the handling. The 1.4 engine is a peach and sometimes it is difficult, because of the performance to believe it is not bigger. It pulls with an eagerness that encourages you to explore its full power. A combined fuel consumption of 40mpg also means that this performance does not need to

break the bank. Handling is superb and the Beetle can be thrown into corners confidently with suspension that is perfectly matched to the performance. Steering is precise and allows you to place the car accurately on the road.

As a driver's car the Beetle does not disappoint and the levels of grip available mean that it is sportier than it first

mean that it is sportier than it first appears.
So it is unfair to compare the new Beetle with the old? I think it is. The original Beetle has a cult following and hails from a different era when requirements for cars in a competitive market were not as strenuous as they are now. But, the new Beetle has much to commend it. From a performance perspective the Beetle provides great fun from its 1.4 engine. Handling is up there with cars with far more sporty pretensions and it is practical too.
Is it a worthy successor to the original? I think unequivocally it has to be yes.
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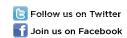
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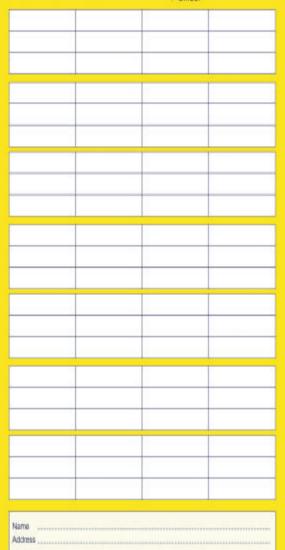
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Growing club goal to sign up women

A LOCAL football team is looking to expand by launch-ing a women's side. Paschendale Football

Paschendale Football
Club have been running for
seven years, playing six of
them in the Birmingham
Coronation League before
switching to the Warley and
District last season.
The Halesowen-based
club, which recently applied
for FA Charter Standard
recognition, have also added
a six-a-side Monday outfit to
their regular Sunday team.
The Monday side have
won their league twice in a
row.

row. Head coach Kev Redmond said: "This season we are looking at putting together a Paschendale Ladies team

(16-plus).
"Training has already begun with a handful of girls on a Thursday from 7pm at Whittingham Road, Halesowen and Sunday from 12.30pm at Britannia Park, Rowley Regis.
"Training sessions are

"Training sessions are taken by FA-qualified coaches who work for Paschendale Football

Paschendale Football Coaching, who coach sports in and around the local area in schools and colleges." For more details, or to get involved contact Redmond on 07905 375 958, email paschen dalefc@google-mail.com or visit the website www.paschendalefc.co.uk

Youngsters can try out new sports

YOUNG athletes will get a chance to try out Olympic sports before the Games begin.

Tipton Harriers are holding their summer UK Athletics Startrack scheme footbook august 2.15

for those aged 8-15.

The event will feature sprints, endurance, jumping, throwing, hurdling and relevant jumping, throwing, hur-dling, and relays. Startrack is UK Athletics'

Startrack is Un Additional flagship grassroots programme and it will take place at Tipton Sports Academy, Wednesbury Oak Road, Tipton.

Road, Tipton.

It will run from July 23-26
(10am-12.30pm). Registration is at 9.30am and the cost
is £4 for each morning or £14
for the full four-day course.

Those completing the
scheme get a goodie bag, certificate and T-shirt.

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Coaches are qualified and CRB-checked.

Heathens will have to ride without Perry

DUDLEY will be without the in-form Tom Perry for their National League clash with Scunthorpe at Monmore Green on Tuesday.

The Heathens have won all six of their National League matches so far and will be looking for a seventh.

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But Perry is riding for his Premier League club Somerset in their meeting at Ipswich and Heathens have no choice but to use the rider replacement facility.

As the 19-year-old hasn't yet established a new 2012 average, he remains only fourth in the current Heathens rankings—and that means neither Adam Roynon nor Ashley Morris can take one of his rides.

Heathens boss Will Pottinger said: "It's a massive blow to be without Tom for this

Dudley Heathens

meeting and it makes it that bit harder for us. He's on an average of less than six from last season but he's actually riding more like a 10-point figure right now.

"You simply cannot replace a rider like that and we're going to need our fans to get right behind us."

A limited number of tickets for the evening with Heathens hero Erik Gundersen will be available on a first come, first served basis. He will be on stage at the Venue Conference and Banqueting Centre, High Street, Dudley on Friday, July 20.

Gundersen, three-times world champion.

is making the trip from Denmark to meet

is making the trip from Denmark to meet supporters for the first time in years. Gundersen, who has lived in Denmark since his glittering career was ended by injury in 1989, is relishing the prospect of turning the clock back at the same time as

casting an eye to the future.

He said: "I just can't wait to get over to England and to see so many familiar faces from the old Cradley days.

"It was such a massive part of my life and it would make me so happy to see them back racing at their own track. I follow the results of the team from here in Denmark and it's nice to see them doing well. It's amazing the crowds and the following they are getting for home meetings at Wolverhampton. "But Cradley, Dudley and the people

"But Cradley, Dudley and the people deserve their own track."
■ Dudley star Ashley Morris has landed a Premier League contract with title-chasing Workington. The move will help the 18-year-old to progress in speedway − and also means he will continue to ride alongside his Heathens captain Adam Roynon, who also tracks for the Comets.

"At the moment, I'm managing to win (National League) races and I'm not being pushed in some of them," said Morris.

"Hopefully, with the faster boys pulling me forward, I can make some progress."

Tuesday's Golden Hammer individual meeting was postponed by rain to a date to

meeting was postponed by rain to a date to be fixed.

Halesowen second in swimming relay event

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HALESOWEN Swimming

HALESOWEN Swimming Club just missed out as they defended trophies in the annual county relay championships in Gloucester.

But with a number of swimmers missing, competition was tough.

By the mid-point the girls were six points off the lead and facing an uphill struggle. The boys were just four points behind after the men's open team were disqualified in a swim that would have taken more than two-and-a-half seconds off

qualified in a swim that would have taken more than two-and-a-half seconds off the county record.

The teams put on fine displays in the second half but were unable to close the gap with girls, boys and the overall team coming second.

The age 9/10 girls team of Nicol Green, India Hanke, Kitty Luscombe and Katy Morrice were unbeatable in both the freestyle – where they set a championship best time – and medley events.

The boys age 15/16 team of Piers Boyack, Joe Coxon, Jacob Darby and Jack Slattery won the medley relay and the open men's team of Josh Bradley, Zach Collins, Michael Edmonds and Brian Steatham broke the freestyle county record by more than one-and-a-half seconds.

Top three overall: Stourbridge seconds.

Top three overall: Stourbridge 15/16 ge 26, Halesowen 10, Ledbuy 52.

Town land home ties in trophies

TIPTON TOWN have home draws in both the FA Cup and FA Vase.

In the FA Cup extra preliminary round, they host Wolverhampton Casuals on Saturday, August 11.

The winners are at home to Pilkington or Atherstone Town in the preliminary round two weeks later.

One of Dudley Sports, Heath Hayes, Tividale or Stratford await the winners in the first qualifying round

in the first qualifying round on Saturday, September 8.

First round qualifying for the Vase pits Tipton against Bolehall Swifts on Saturday, Sentember 1

Bolenall Switts on Saturday, September 1. The winners travel to Coleshill or Stafford Town on Saturday, September 15. Whoever makes the first round proper has a trip to Pershore or Wolverhampton on Saturday October 13

Aston pole-axing does not make the live cut

DUDLEY'S Ryan Aston will be pleased his Midlands middleweight title fight was Midlands middleweight title fight was scrubbed from the live Sky Sports schedule after he was pole-axed in two rounds.

Late changes to the running order meant viewers missed Aston's second round retirement against Valentine as it happened last Saturday night.

Aston's trainer Paul Gough threw the towel into the ring at the Motorpoint Arena in Sheffield.

It came one minute and five seconds into the session.

five seconds into the session.
His man was in severe
trouble, already down twice,
first blasted to his knees by a
flurry of right hands from
Valentine in the first.
To his credit, Aston
gamely tried to get his own
back but left his chin wide
men to another harrage of

open to another barrage of shots which returned him to the canvas.

With Aston's nose bloodied and his responses fading fast, Gough pulled him out and his first defeat as a prowas confirmed.

was confirmed.

Aston had struggled with
the stiff right hand of Valentine from the off and his lax
defence left him prone to
danger as it went on.

He had been warned
about Valentine's reputation for power - the Nottingham puncher had left Luke
Robinson out cold on his prodebut in 2009.

Aston turned over last

Aston turned over last June and had encountered few problems in getting rid of seven opponents since on the way to landing his first shot at a pro title.

A wound from a clash of heads against Dean Walker

by Craig Birch

last September was the closest he had come to being badly hurt in a paid contest. All that changed when he sunk to the deck after coming off second best in an exchange of punches, but he managed to rise to his feet. The bell to end the first round saved him and gave the Dudley fighter some valuable time to try and shake off blows he hadn't expected to come his way. Aston came back out looking to prove he could triumph in the face of adversity but his defences again let him down to force the finish to the bout.

Already hurt and trying to trade was a critical paid.

Already hurt and trying to trade was a strategy not without his flaws and he was subsequently decked again as both men threw leather at alose quentors

as both men threw leather at close quarters.
Again, he answered the count but, visibly shaken with his responses non-existant, was wisely ruled out of the 10-round contest.
It was the worst birthday present ever after turning 21 last Tuesday but at his age, time is on his side.



Dudley's Ryan Aston feels the power of Curtis Valentine on the way his shock second round Midlands title defeat

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Aston smarting

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New boss is out to turn on the style

NEW Albion head coach Steve Clarke has promised that the Baggies will try to turn on the style at The Hawthorns next season. Clarke, who has now taken his first training ses-sions at the club, is aiming to add some swagger to the team at The Hawthorns. Albion had just six home

and some swager to the team at The Hawthorns.

Albion had just six home wins in the Premier League last season despite a ground-breaking 10th-place finish.

"I don't want to lose the strengths that the club had last season," said Clarke.

"They were really well-organised, disciplined and hard to beat. That is the first priority for anybody.

"But on top of that I'd like to add my own little stamp and we can hopefully become a little bit more attacking, especially at attacking, especially home.
"I want to be more attack-

"I want to be more attacking based on a solid defence.
"I think I've always been
credited with improving the
defensive part of the team.
"It's not something I set
out to do when I coach them,
but I think the way I work
and the exercises I give them
help to shape the solidity of
the team.
"I'm not sure I need to do

the team.
"I'm not sure I need to do
that much work on this
group of players with that
because Roy Hodgson did a
fantastic job on that last
season. But to get from
where we are right now to
the next level you have to
build on that."

Robins are playing for good cause

DUDLEY TOWN are staging a match to raise funds for charity.

Two Dudley teams will face each other in aid of The White House, Cancer Support, their nominated charity, at the Dell Stadium, Brierley Hill on Saturday

charity, at the Dell Stadium, Brierley Hill, on Saturday July 28 (6.30pm).

The sides, who will feature current players, friends and family and exprofessionals, are being put together by first team and Under-18 bosses Andy Burgess, Andy Wyton, Mark Phillips and Pip Hanson.

Hot and cold food will be available, and there will be

available, and there will be an appearance by Roly, the mascot from Bowlplex.

Admission will be by programme, priced at £2 for adults and £1 concessions.

Anyone interested should contact chairman Stephen Austin on 07412 046050.



Halesowen's Bradley Hughes tucks in at pace at Oulton Park Picture: Mike Lawrence, www.superbikesnapper.co.uk

Rider jumps too soon

HALESOWEN teenager Bradley Hughes rode to sixth place in class during round six of the 2012 Monster Energy British Motostar Cup at Oulton Park. It could have been better had the

15-year-old not been penalised with a ride-through penalty following a jump start which saw him relegated to last place after rejoining the race

to last place after rejoining the race from the pit lane.

The weekend began with free practice on Friday but with torren-tial downpours there was nothing to be gained. The rain abated for

qualifying on Saturday and Hughes managed to string some fast laps together to finish in eighth place for a second-row start to Sunday's 12-lap race.

lap race.

But he was a little too keen to get his race under way and jumped the start. He was fourth into the first corner but was seventh on lap two. He was signalled to come in to do his ride-through penalty and had to cruise through the entire length of

the pit lane before being permitted to rejoin the race. By this time he was stone last and rode the wheels off the Honda to play catch-up. Hughes beat Xavier Zayat to the

Hughes beat Xavier Zayat to the chequered flag by a tenth of a second to take 12th place in the main race and sixth in the Motostar Cup, run within the main championship for riders under 16.

The next round of the championship takes place at the Brands Hatch circuit over the weekend of July 20-22.

Free taster sessions in golf are up for grabs

FREE golf taster sessions are on offer at Halesowen Golf Club.

Women can attend sessions on July 16 and 18 (3.45-5.15pm) and July 22 (10-11.30am and 2-3.30pm).

For men, the dates are July 17 and 20 (3.45-5.15pm), July 22 (noon-1.30pm) and July 27 (3.45-5.15pm).

There will also be family activities on July 25-26 and August 1, 8, 13 and 15 (all running from 3.45-5.15pm).

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TENNIS ACE WHILEY IS A STAR AT WIMBLEDON

HALESOWEN'S Jordanne Whiley finished as a Wimbledon runner-up in the wheelchair ladies doubles - her first appearance in a Grand Slam final.

Whiley reached the Court Three shoot-out with fellow Briton Lucy Shuker.

Their achievement pushed both of them up the women's doubles world rankings. Whiley rose two places to No.8, just one spot below her career best ranking.

Three take home wins from pool

FOUR Halesowen Swimming Club members were picked for the West Midlands in the English Schools inter-divisional championships – and three brought back medals.

back medals.
Chloe Finch, Luke Morris,
Chloe Robbins and Rebecca
Spoor were picked from
swimmers across Worcestershire, Warwickshire,
Staffordshire, Shropshire
and Herefordshire to
compete at Liverpool Aquatics Centre's 50m pool.

Each are group - junior.

Each age group - junior, intermediate and senior intermediate and senior—had a full Olympic schedule of events. Medal winners were Robbins, who took silver in the senior 100m freestyle, and Chloe Finch who added a bronze in the junior 200m butterfly.

Robbins and Spoor each added two bronze medals in

st ranking.

Whiley and Shuker faced
Jiske Griffioen and Aniek
van Koot in Sunday's final.
But the Dutch pair, who
are both in the world's top
five for doubles and singles,
were too strong and won 6-1,
6-2 to claim their first Wimbledon title after finishing
runners-up last year.
The British duo had upset
the odds in their semi-final
on Friday, defeating second

on Friday, defeating second seeds Sharon Walraven and Annick Sevenans 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 to become the first all-British wheelchair tennis team to reach a final at Wimbledon.

Upbeat

Whiley was upbeat as she and Shuker now move on to this week's ITF 1 Series Swiss Open in Geneva, where they are both seeded for the singles and doubles. Next week they go to the British Open in Nottingham, the last Super Series event before September's London 2012 Paralympic Games.

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Robbins and Spoor each added two bronze medals in the senior 4x100m freestyle and 4x100m medley relays.

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Jordanne Whiley, left, and doubles partner Lucy Shuker with their runners-up trophies. Picture: Tommy Hindley







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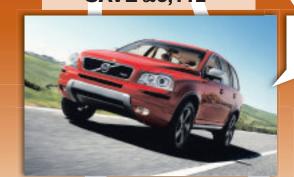
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